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M.L. CALEDONIA	7358	E. H. Gordon	4th May
ARABIA	7983	J. L. Parfitt	11th "
M.D. PENINSULA	5257	T. Leigh	18th "
ORIENTAL	5284	J. F. Jephson	25th "
M.L. ARABIA	7905	J. L. Parfitt	1st June
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F. FERDINAND	A. Martinolich	6,043	15th April 1901.
TRIESTE	A. Mitis	5653	in May 1901.

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OCEANIEN	4,269	Schaultz	9th May, 1901.
INDUS	6,357	Duchateau	6th June 1901.

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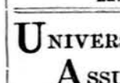

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 22.

2 3-4 per cent. Consols.....£ 95 13-16 = -1-8
3 per cent. Rentes.....£101 1-2 = unchanged.
3 1-2 per cent. Sterling Loan.....£107 = -1
3 1-2 per cent. Govt. Securities ...£ 93 1-2 = plus 1-8 "
Bar Silver in London .....27 15-16 = -1-8 "
Do at New York.....60 7-8 = -1-4 "
Exchange on London at Paris...25 18 1-2 = plus 1 "
Do in New York.....at 487 7-8 = unchanged.
Discount Bank of England .....4 p. c. = "
" Short London Bills ...3 7-8 = plus 1-4 "
" Indian Bank Bills.....3 3-4 = " 1-8 "
Silver in Bombay £170,000.
Extra Bills on Bombay Rs. 10,000 at 1s. 3 15-16d.
Rapeseed firm. Yellow Cawnpore April-May 39s.
Linseed easier April-May 4s. 5-9d.
The Bank of England's reserve is 50 per cent. of liabilities

EXCHANGE.

The market opened on Monday week at 1s. 3 15-16d. for wire and demand, with 3 months credits at 1s. 4 5-32d. There was, however, very little enquiry for remittance at the rates, but a few Bills were forthcoming. Later in the week the ruling rate dropped to 1s. 3 29-32d for wire and 1s. 3 15-16d. for demand. In one place, however, 1s. 32d. better could be done. Thursday the Banks were closed on account of a Parsi Holiday. To-day the market opened rather firmer, and 1s. 3 15-16d. for wire and 1s. 3 31-32d. for demand could be done in most places. The rate for Bills also advanced to 1s. 4 3-16d. at which rate however very few were offered. The fact that allotments of Councils for next week have been reduced to 70 lacs has probably strengthened the market. The money market has been decidedly easier, and the Bank of Bengal rate was reduced this morning to 7 per cent.

The market closes steady at the following rates :—

Bank Telegraph Transfer .....1s. 3 15-16d.
" Demand.....1s. 3 31-32d.
3 months' Credits .....1s. 4 3-16d.
" France 170
" Marks 139 1-4
30 days' Japan 148
" Hongkong 146
" Shanghai 200

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

The market may be called steady during the week under report. On Monday and Tuesday it was quiet at 95-4 to 95 5-16 per cent. for the settlement with very few transactions reported. On Wednesday morning it opened nominally at 95 3-16 per cent. and as soon as the information regarding the announcement of issuing two crores of Rupee Paper in India and one million sterling arrived, the market declined to 95 1-16 per cent. This news had very little effect on the market and it closed at 95 3-16. On Friday upon London Rupee Paper being 1-16 up and steadier advices from Calcutta the market gradually advanced to 95 9-16 per cent. at which rate it closed steadily. Money market during the week has continued to be very easy. The Presidency Banks have reduced their rate of interest from 8 per cent. to 7 per cent. while money is procurable on good securities at lower rates from the open market. Local banks have refused short deposits even at 4 per cent. Government Paper has been well assisted by the Money market this week which has even lessened the effects of the new loan of two cores and contrary to the expectation the market improved half per cent. after the announcement was known. Ready Paper in large amounts ruled annas higher than the settlement, while small clean pieces are about 4 annas higher. Municipal and Port Trust bonds have found little enquiry this week, many being easy and they are steady at the previous quotation.

SHARE MARKET.

Share market may be called quiet with few fluctuations and a limited business especially as regards mill shares, whose selling orders can hardly be put through. Bank of Bombay shares have changed hands at 1,247 1-2 to 1,250, while commercials are quiet at 50. In miscellaneous shares Alcock's are steady at 200, Bombay Ice at 60 Port Canning's at 475, Bombay Flour at 740, Kemp's at 360, Thacker's at 970, and Telephone's at 28. Thacker's have changed hands at 1,159, Bombay-Burma at 6,425 and Badhwar's at 158. Press shares are steady and most of them are unchanged at the previous quotations. In Mill shares David's are steady at 195, Carrimbhoys at 535, Central's at 1,925, Pitit's at 1,715, Standard's at 535, and Swadeshee's at 530. A number of Colaba Land shares have changed hands at 250. These shares have dropped heavily. Sholapur shares are quiet at 1,725, Southern Mahratta at 200. Leapold's have changed hands at 156. Kohinoors have dropped to 200 and there are sellers at the rate. In Railway shares Tapti Valley shares have changed hands at 460, while Prantej shares are quiet at 690.

FREIGHTS.

The market has been quiet during the week with rather a weaker tendency, and only a very moderate business. For Liverpool ready cargo was backed at 15s. 6d.

For April shipments some small lines have been booked at 13s. 6d. to 13s. 9d., and for May at 14s. Rates for Venice were done at 16s. and could probably be got at 15s. 5d. to 15s. The s. s. Foreland has been fixed in Karachi.

WHEAT AND SEEDS.

WHEAT.—The market has been very quiet during the week with a very small amount of business doing. White Delhi for April May delivery is quoted Rs. 4-5-6 to 4-5-9.

LINSEED.—Some fluctuations have taken place during the week, but owing to small arrivals and good demand we close firm at Rs. 8-8. for ready. For April-May delivery we quote Rs. 8-2-6 with very little doing.

RAPESEED.—Ready is firm and in good demand at Rs. 6-6 for Brown Delhi. There has also been a fairly big business in forward delivery for April-May. We quote the following rates ;—

Brwn Cawnpore.....Rs. 6 to Rs. 6-1
Yellow Cawnpore .....Rs. 6-8
Yellow Gazerat nominal.....Rs. 7-9

POPPYSEED has been in good demand and the market closes firm at Rs. 7-14 for April-May.

CASTERSEED.—Market is quiet but steady with some demand for ready. Rates unchanged at Rs. 34-8 and Rs. 34 for April-May delivery.

GINGELLYSEED has been quiet, but there has always been a little inquiry. Rates are unchanged as follows :—

White 50 per cent.....Rs. 41-8 to Rs. 42
" 75 per cent.....Rs. 41
" 88 per cent.....Rs. 45

COALS.

The market has been very firm throughout the week with a rising tendency, and a disinclination on the part of sellers to accept any reduction in prices. The business put through has in consequence been very limited. A line of Muir's Navigation 1,000 tons a month from January to December 1902 was done at Rs. 13-6 and a line of Jardines 750 tons a month from January to December 1902 was done at Rs. 13-8. Cardiff coal for April shipment is offering at Rs. 22 without however finding a buyer. The market closes very firm both for ready and forward delivery.

PIECE GOODS.—The market has been very quiet owing to the recent drop in raw cotton, and no business has been done during the week.

YARNS and Prints.—Market very depressed with almost nothing doing, and prices gradually declining.

PETROLEUM—The market has been weak with very little doing. The stock consists at present of 300,000 cases and very heavy arrivals are expected shortly.

This together with a limited demand from the Interior has further affected prices. Cased oil is moving very slowly, but bulk oil continues to clear fast. We quote :—

Anchor Brand .....Rs. 3.8
Ram Brand 3.8
Snow Flake.....5.6

SUGAR.—The market is dull and lifeless and in the absence of demand Austrian Chrystals are 5 annas lower and superior qualities 9 annas lower. There is nothing doing in forward delivery.

METALS.—The market is very weak with almost nothing doing. Copper is quoted 1 annas lower and yellow metal 2 annas lower. Other descriptions of metal have declined about 4 annas with no inquiry.

Liverpool Market closed easier. Manchester was dull, Surat dull. Sales 8,000. Sales on speculation 500 bales Surat 50 bales. Imports 10,000 bales. Spot 4 21-32 — 1-8. Arrivals closed quiet.

March	March-April	June-July
4 34	4 24	4 34
"	—5	—5

In New York—

Days Receipts .....26 000 bales.
Do. last year .....11,000 "
Exports to Great Britain.....
Do. Continent.....18,000 "
Spot Mid-Uplands.....8 15-16—1-8 ",
Futures month of June .....7 87—18 "
Do. do. of September ...7 35—15 "

COTTON. The decline in rates at Liverpool and New York has continued daily throughout the week, and our market has in consequence been very depressed and with only a very limited demand. Dealers are very anxious to reduce their stocks but find it difficult to realize even at the present drop in prices. Local Mills are buying only from hand to mouth, while orders from the Continent are very scarce, and generally at very low limits. Japan also has stopped buying for some time, and until trade generally improves and there is a cessation of the trouble in South Africa and China, there seems little chance of any strong demand springing up. The Broach sutta for 15-25 March is passing off quietly. Some attempt has been made by speculators to push up prices and on one day this week good Broach touched, Rs. 227 but the rate could not be maintained in face of the continual drop at home. Cotton continues to arrive freely, but only good stapled descriptions meet with any inquiry. We close dull and declining. About 2,500 bales have changed hands this afternoon, of which local mills took 2,000 bales, and shippers 500 bales.

The following are the closing quotations. :—

	Rs.	
Bengals fully good.....	142	
" fine	155	
Bilatti fully good	159	
" fine	165	
Khandeish fully good	155	
Oomra stapled fully good.....	175	
" fine	185	
Broach " good.....	223	25th March
" fine	205	April
Bownugger good.....	166	May
" fine	198	"
Sawai Dharwar	192	"
Westerns good	182	"

The following are the receipts of cotton and produce into Bombay during 24 hours ended, at 6 p.m., on Tuesday, the 21st inst. :—

Cotton	7,270	bales.
Wheat	3,025	cwts.
Linseed	7,770	"
Rapeseed	1,229	"
Gingellyseed.....	5,700	"
Poppyseed.....	.....	"
Groundnuts	.....	"
Castorseed.....	4,963	"
Rice	48,218	"
Myrabollams	3,814	"

Current quotations of local made piece goods and yarns, yesterday :—

	Net rates per lb. as cents	as cents
T Cloths	8 37 1-2 to 9 12 1-2	
Do	8 12 1-2 to 8 37 1-2	
Long Cloths	7 87 1-2 to 8 37 1-2	
Do	7 87 1-2 to 8 37 1-2	
Domettes	7 37 1-2 to 7 87 1-2	
Do	6 87 1-2 to 7 37 1-2	
Chaddars	6 87 1-2 to 7 37 1-2	
Do	7 62 1-2 to 8 12 1-2	
Plain Dhoties	7 62 1-2 to 8 12 1-2	
Do	7 87 1-2 to 8 37 1-2	
Red Bordered Dhoties.....	7 87 1-2 to 8 12 1-2	
Do	7 87 1-2 to 8 37 1-2	
Dhoties with Fancy Borders.....	7 62 1-2 to 8 12 1-2	
Scout-Grey with coloured lines ..	7 87 1-2 to 9 37 1-2	
Checks	7 87 1-2 to 9 37 1-2	
Drills, Grey	7 12 1-2 to 7 62 1-2	
Towels and Napkins (different sizes)	7 37 1-2 to 7 87 1-2	

There is no change in Local yarns, and we have heard of no special transactions during the week. The quotation to-day are :—

Twist	No. 6s	Mule, As. 4	to 4 3-4	per lb.
"	" 8s	" 4 1-8	" 4 7-8	"
"	" 10s	" 4 1-2	" 5 1-4	"
"	" 12s	" 4 5-8	" 5 3-8	"
"	" 16s	" 5 1-4	" 5 5-8	"
"	" 20s	" 5 3-8	" 6	"
"	" 24s	" 5 7-8	" 6 1-8	"
"	" 30s	" 6 7-8	" 7 1-4	"
"	" 40s	" 8	" 9	"

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

FLIGHT OF DE WET.

AGAIN IN THE ORANGE RIVER COLONY.

THE BOTHA RUMOURS.

(From the Mail papers of March 1 to 8)

Commandant De Wet, with was accompanied by ex-President Steyn, crossed the Orange River on Thursday week at Botha's Nek, a mile to the west of Colesberg Bridge and seventeen miles north of the town of Colesberg. The Boers, said to be 1,300 strong, got some of their transport across, but left a few carts and some horses on the southern bank. On the same day Colonel Byng, Colonel Haig and Colonel Bethune were at Hamelfontein, about a dozen miles east of Philipstown, having probably concentrated there in the belief that De Wet was seeking to cross the river at Sand Drift, fifteen miles north of Hamelfontein. The Boers did, according to the story of a prisoner who has been released, try to cross at Sand Drift, but abandoned the attempt after two men and five horses had been drowned, and moved further to the east.

Lord Kitchener reports that Commandant De Wet, after crossing the Orange river, made for Philippolis, a small town 16 miles from Colesberg Bridge, on the old waggon route to the Transvaal and 24 miles west of Springfontein on the Railway line. The Boers found that Philippolis was held by our troops and consequently had to alter their route. Passing Philippolis either on the west or the east, De Wet continued his march in the direction of Fauresmith, 40 miles due north of Philippolis. Luckhoff, or Koffykuil, a small town to the west of Fauresmith, was occupied on Saturday by Colonel Bethune, who had probably crossed the Orange at Vosser's Drift, 25 miles to the south of Hamelfontein.

Although De Wet has succeeded in crossing the Orange River, the pursuit of him has not been abandoned. Among others General Charles Knox and General Bruce-Hamilton are still operatating against the fugitives.

The garrisons on the line from Norvals Pont to Bloemfontein have no doubt been heavily reinforced to prevent De Wet from breaking across the railway into the Bloemfontein district and retracing the route he followed before his invasion of Cape Colony. If he is unable to cross the railway (says the "Manchester Guardian") De Wet will have to continue his advance to the north through a country which has been denuded of supplies and inhabitants, with a mounted British force hanging on to his left flank, with mounted troops following him along the road, and with the railway, on which troops could be rapidly concentrated at any point, on his right. There is also the possibility that he will find British troops in front of him, for not very long ago Petrusburg which lies in the direct line of his march, was reoccupied, and the troops there can easily be strengthened from Bloemfontein.

Nothing official had been revealed in regarded to the alleged negotiations with Christian Botha for surrender.

HOW DE WET ESCAPED.

SHARP FIGHT WITH THE BOER REAR GUARD.

De Wet succeeded in recrossing the Orange River on Tuesday. The Boers (says Mr. Bennet Burleigh in a message to the "Daily Telegraph" from Colesberg) stripped and swam the river, which was high, in the evening. There was much dispirited and scattered.

The newsyecroft's column had two days' fighting with the enemy's rearguard, driving them in on each occasion. He and Colonel Henniker succeeded in taking some prisoners.

Indeed, this rough, outlying district holds a number of skulking Boers. I saw several small parties of them, the largest being a dozen strong, during my ride from Philippolis. Many, and a few were made prisoners.

Major Lukin Lecroft's command saw nearly 800 of Hert, zog's men two days ago, and galloped through them the Boers flying in all directions, and abandoning their rifles, waggons, horses, and most of their clothes. Their portmanteaus were found to be filled with watches, trinkets, etc., which they had looted. Most of these raiders are in the hills, and by systematic patrols the majority of them will be captured.

Our numerous columns still continue to hunt after De Wet.

When the total captures of all the columns are reckoned up it will be found that De Wet has lost not only all his guns and ammunition, but 500 men taken prisoners.

THE CROSSING OF THE ORANGE RIVER.

Reuter's correspondent at Colesberg, describing De Wet's escape says ; Nine of Nesbitt's Horse under Sergeant-Major Sarworth, saw the Boers 1,500 strong, cross the Orange River at Lilliefontein, near Colesberg Bridge. The current washed the Boers a considerable way down the river, but they nevertheless managed to take five Cape Carts, one horse wagon, and two ambulances over. Nesbitt's Horse who had splendid cover, fired upon them while they were in the water, and caused considerable dismay among them.

After they had all crossed, Nesbitt's Horse went down to the river and found five carts on this side also the clothes of a number of men, who were seen on the other side riding off naked, or nearly so. These probably expected to be able to return for their clothes and to remount their carts, but upon Nesbitt's Horse opening fire they abandoned the idea. A number of maps of Cape Colony were found. They had, apparently, been thrown away. Many horses were left behind. They were mostly quite stiff with hard riding.

Three men of the South African Light Horse who were prisoners with the Boers bolted as soon as they heard Nesbitt's Horse firing. A native servant was drowned, and several Boers were left lying on the opposite bank. One of these had evidently been shot dead at the water's edge, and was clad only in a shirt. The Boers did not return our fire, being unable to locate Nesbitt's men.

A former at Liliefontein states that Steyn and De Wet were with the commando. He says that the former called at the farmhouse, and that he looks thoroughly miserable. The whole commando is desperately hungry.

DE WET REPORTED DEMENTED.

The special correspondent of the "Times" sends from Hopetown some interesting details with regard to De Wet's movements from the 13th of February, Colonel Plumer has kept up a most tenatious and persistent pursuit of the enemy, who, since they were beaten at Welvekuil, 25 miles north of Philipstown, have never made a stand, and have lost continuously in ammunition, guns, and prisoners. On February 23rd Colonel Plumer captured De Wet's last guns without the Boer rearguard's firing a shot.

The enemy was in full retreat, and should have fallen into the hands of a column brought from Kimberley, but slipped past in the night.

De Wet, in his fanaticism, is reported to be demented. It is said that he flogs everyone, and that Paasbroeck, who still has a compact commando, refuses to co-operate with the late hero.

THE first Temperance Conference to be held under the auspices of the N.W.P., Oudh, and Behar Temperance Council, will be held in Cawnpore on Friday and Saturday, the 29th and the 30th instant. Raja Sahib Chander Banerji of Bhagulpore will preside.

ORDERS have just been issued cancelling the despatch of two months' supplies which were being prepared for Jubaland. The date of the return of the Indian force is, however, still uncertain.

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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 2m. Sun Sets. 6h. 12m. High water 0-16m. 1-28s. Low water, 6-40m., 7-9s.
Bombay Extra Races.
Royal Bombay Yacht Club Regatta.
B. V. R. Annual Inspection by General Officer Commanding, parade ground, 4-15 p. m.
B. V. A. Wheal Cup competition.
Bombay Musical Union Concert, Town Hall, 9 p. m.
Novelty Theatre : "The Shop Girl" by the Bandmann Opera Company.

TO-MORROW.

Sun rises, 6h. 1m. Sun sets. 6h. 12m. High water 8-28m., 2-15s. Low water, 7-42m, 8-0 a.

PARSEE CYCLING CLUB.—Members meet at the Club Tent at 6-30 a.m. on Sunday, the 24th inst. for a run to Cooria via Vellard and back.

LAWN TENNIS WESTERN INDIA CHALLENGE CUP.—The final of the Doubles Tournament between Messrs. Lane and Kirwak and Messrs. Melcle and Creagh will be played at the Bombay Gymkhana this afternoon.

LECTURE.—A public lecture will be delivered by Mr. David Gostling in English at the Blavatsky Lodge, Theosophical Society, Bombay Branch, 97, Hornby Road, Fort, to-morrow (Sunday) at 6 p. m. Subject. :—Evolution in the 20th Century.

BOMBAY SHORTHAND WRITERS' ASSOCIATION.—The first General Meeting of the Bombay Shorthand Writers' Association, presided over by Dr. Sir Bhalchandra Krishna Kt., L.M., J.P., will be held at the Accountancy Institution in Bruce Lane, Fort, (behind St. Thomas's Cathedral, Church Gate Street) on Sunday, the 24th inst., at 4-15 p.m.

POSTAL NOTICE.—A mail for Europe consisting of letters and packets specially marked for transmission per Austrian Lloyd's s.s. Cleopatra, will be made up at the Bombay General Post Office for despatch to the Trieste Post Office at 7 a.m. on Monday, the 1st April 1901. Letters &c., for Aden and Egypt, specially marked for transmission by this steamer, will also be despatched.

THE BOMBAY MUSICAL UNION :—From an advertisement in another columns, it will be seen that a grand Evening Concert in aid of the Countess of Dufferin Fund, is to be given to-night in the Town Hall by the Bombay Musical Union, under the distinguished patronage of H. E. Lady Northcote, who has kindly signified her intention to be present on the occasion. With so good an object, and such an excellent programme, the success of the concert is assured. We are requested to state that some very good seats are still available.

BURGLARY AT MATOONGA.—Ramchundra Vishnoo a Hindu, who resides with his family in a hut in the fields at Matoonga, has reported to the police that when he awoke yesterday morning he discovered the side of the hut had been cut and a trunk containing gold and silver ornaments of the value of Rs. 280 and cash and wearing apparel worth Rs. 79, were stolen from under the cot on which he had been sleeping. The trunk with a portion of the wearing apparel of the value of Rs. 55 was found in a field not far from the hut. The complainant has a private watchman of his own to watch the hut by night.

KILLED BY A BULLOCK CART.—Mr. P. Byrne, the Coroner, held an inquiry, yesterday, at the J. J. Hospital, regarding the death of Gunnoo Krishna, aged sixty, a peon in the Customs Department. On Wednesday last, about 9 p.m. while he was walking on the road at the junction of that street and the Warl Bunder Road, he was knocked down by a bullock cart, laden with bales of cotton, and one of the wheels passed over him. He was conveyed to the J. J. Hospital, where it was ascertained by the house surgeon that he had received a simple fracture of the left hip bone and other minor injuries. He was detained under treatment, but did not improve and died next day. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

THE PATHARE PRABHU SOCIAL SAMAJ :—The Thirteenth anniversary of this Samaj was held on Thursday evening in the Prabhu Seminary Hall. The Hall and the building were splendidly decorated for the occasion. Messrs. V. V. Kothare, R. V. Kothare and V. S. Kothare received the chairman, Mr. Mothabai Madhaorao Jaykar, on behalf of the Committee and conducted him to the hall. Mr. R. D. Rane, B. A. opened the proceedings, in the absence of Mr. N. G. Jaykar, B. A. and Mr. Vishnu Sitaram Sukthankar, Messrs. Y. W. Desai and R. G. Desai enlivened the proceedings by sweet music at intervals. After the chairman's address the audience partook of light refreshment.

COMMITTING HOUSE TRESPASS.—Yesterday, at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. P. H. Dastur, Third Presidency Magistrate, Gopal Sanu, a blind labourer was placed in the dock on a charge of committing house trespass in the premises of Dauku Sakaram, residing at the Duncan Road. On Thursday night last the complainant went out of his house, leaving his wife and a married woman who was alone in the house at the time. On his return home a short time after the complainant heard some one coughing under a cot. His eye fell upon the accused and he immediately raised an alarm, and the accused was arrested. The accused in his defence said that the woman Yenu having called him he went to the house. In the meantime the complainant returned, when he concealed himself under the cot. The woman Yenu in her evidence denied the statement of the accused. The Magistrate convicted the accused and fined him Rs. 30.

THE MURDEROUS ATTACK BY KHOJA FANATICS.

At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Gulamali Mahomed, Noormahomed Alibhai and Lalji Rajpal were charged by Superintendent Grennan with committing the murder of Hirji Alarakhia and Lales Sajan on the 9th instant. There were further charges against the first accused of attempting to murder Kasam Nanji Miyani, and against the last two accused of attempting to murder Abdula Lalji by means of a dangerous weapon, to wit, a clasp knife, Mr. Nicholson, Public Prosecutor, prosecuted ; while Mr. Brown of Messrs Crawford, Brown and Co., solicitors, was present to watch the proceedings on behalf of relatives of the deceased Heerjee Alarakhia and Lalji Sajan.

Dr. A. D'Gama, examined by Mr. Nicholson, said that he knew Hirji Alarakhia, deceased, well. The latter was his patient. On 9 March last the witness was at his dispensary. At 10 o'clock in the morning a nephew of the deceased came to call him. He went with him to the suit Khoja Jamatkhana, Tantanpura street. The last house was that the deceased, who had several wounds on his body. Having pronounced him dead the witness at once to left examine Kasam Nanji Miyani, who was also wounded. The latter was on the ground floor of a house in the Khoja Street. There were cuts on his body and the witness afterwards carried him to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital.

Noor Mahomed Haji Isa, examined by Mr. Nicholson, said that he had a cutlery shop in Jamkhan Street. On the 6th instant accused No. 2 purchased three knives from him. The witness identified the knives produced in the court. The knives were selected by accused No. 2 and he paid the witness Rs. 5-10-0 for them. The accused gave no reason for the purchase of the knives.

Mahomed Ismail, a photographer said that he had his studio at Bhindy Bazaar. All the three accused went to his studio on the 13th of February last, and bargained with him to have their photographs taken. The next day they again went there, and took their photographs. Accused No. 2 paid Rs. 3 for the photographs.

Salemal Hasan, a glass merchant, said that on the 9th instant he was at Rahimtulla Dhanjebhoy's firm in Tantanpura. He saw accused Nos. 2 and 3 attacking a Khoja with knives, after which they ran away. The man who was attacked fell on the road, and was bleeding. The witness felt giddy and did not stop there longer.

Ahmed Ganji said he was a dealer in firewood. He witnessed the attack with knives made by the three accused on Alarakia and also saw the first accused stabbing Kasam Nanji Miabni. He called to two other neighbours to help him to overpower the man. They succeeded in doing so and penned him to the ground Accused No. 1 when asked if he had any questions to ask the witness said that pinning him to the ground by brute force was a lie. The gash on his hand disabled him and he sat down otherwise he would have attacked the witness with fatal results.

Joseph Joaquim Godinho said he was a compounder in the employ of Dr. Ezekiel. He remembered Lalji Sajun coming into the dispensary on the day in question bleeding from a wound on the left side of the neck. He was followed by accused No. 2 who stabbed Laljee above the abdomen.

The further hearing was adjourned to next Tuesday afternoon.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m. yesterday give the following results :—

Wards	Plague. Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	9	0	4
B Mandvi, Chuckla, Umarkhadi and Dongri	13	9	33
C Masjet, Bhoiti Talao, Fanaswady Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Khumbharwada	17	17	48
D Khetwady, Girgaum, Chowpatty, Walkeshwar and Malabar Hill	47	16	28
E Mazagon, Parawdy, 2nd Nagpada, Ramatimpura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	41	25	70
F Parel, Sewri and Sion	21	11	26
G Mahim and Worli	12	13	24
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown ..	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	23	46
Total	206	114	279
Total plague deaths to date...	90,865	75,651	
Same date last year.....	112	13	343

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ORIENTAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

THE twenty-sixth annual ordinary general meeting of the Shareholders and Policy-holders of the Oriental Government Security Life Assurance Company, Limited, was held yesterday afternoon at the Oriental Buildings, Fort, Mr. Fazulbhoy Visram, C. I. E., presiding. There was a large number of Shareholders and Policy-holders present and the meeting room was crowded to its utmost capacity.

The following director's report, which had been circulated amongst the Shareholders and Policyholders, was taken as read :—

As on previous occasion, the directors are glad to report that substantial progress has been made, the result of the business being that the funds of the company have become increased by the sum of Rs. 14,53,368-11-1 of which Rs. 11,74,438-10-3 has been transferred to the Trust Fund. The total funds now amount to Rs. 1,71,74,574-2-9, accumulated resources which afford to all policy holders unquestionable security. The average rate of interest realised during the year was over 3½ per cent. The details of the above increase in funds are given in the accounts, which give a clear and complete view of the company's affairs. During the year 4,744 life proposals were made to the company for assuring sums amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 92,63,650. Of this number 3,508 have resulted in policies, and the remainder have either been declined, withdrawn, or are awaiting completion. The total assurances effected during the year amounted to Rs. 63,95,618 the annual premium thereon being Rs. 3,17,060 12-0. The total number of policies in force on the books of the company (including the policies under which the company's bonusary notes remain outstanding) is 32,022 assuring, with bonus additions, in the aggregate Rs. 7,44,21,733-1-9. Of the sum assured Rs. 12,12,000 is re-assured. In addition to the above business in force, there are 392 policies on which annuities are granted of Rs. 1,275-8-0, bringing an annual premium income of Rs. 4,783-12-0. There are on the books 13 annuity bonds for Rs. 5,263-8-0, the price received thereunder being Rs. 54,932-7-0. One annuity amounting to Rs. 252 terminated by the death of the annuitant. Claims for Rs. 12,87,844-7-0 were paid during the year :—(1) Under 37 matured endowment policies on 33 lives, assuring with bonus additions, Rs. 1,79,593-1-3 ; (2) By death of 359 assured lives, under 410 policies assuring with bonus additions Rs. 11,08,251-5-9 ; Rs. 12,87,844-7-0 ; deduct re-assurance recovered Rs. 55,000 ; total Rs. 12,32,844-7 ; claims admitted, but not paid, on account of incomplete documents, at 31st December, 1900, amount to Rs. 5,56,229 3-3. The revenue for the year amounted to Rs. 34,33,020-1-2 of which Rs. 28,99,505-3-10 was derived from premiums etc., and Rs. 5,32,494-13 4 from interest on investments. The total out-go for the year was Rs. 20,60,651-0-1, which includes Rs. 45,907-9-9 for re-assurance premiums and Rs. 15,14,705-6-0 for claims pensions, surrenders, annuities dividends, and cash bonuses to policyholders, leaving a balance of receipts over disbursements of Rs. 14,33,368-11-1. The careful regard to economy which has marked the management of the company from its commencement is still maintained—the working expenses for the year showing a reduction of over one per cent as compared with the previous year. The investments of the Company are :—3 and 3 1-2 per cent. Government securities ... ... Rs. 1,58,98,9 0 0 0
Loans on Policies 6,63,176 4 9
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Total Rs. 1,70,44,285 2 1

The directors recommend a dividend of 12 1-2 per cent. per annum to shareholders for the year 1900. The directors consider that the shareholders and policyholders have cause for great satisfaction in the steady progress made by the Company during the past year. The new business has been in excess of the previous year and the existing policies have been well maintained, while the amount paid into the trust fund exceeds that of any previous year in the Company's history—facts which point to success in the past and as encouraging signs for the future. In view of the recent famine and with plague in many districts, the Directors regard the year's operations as very successful, and record their appreciation of the zealous services of many of the Agents and Canvassers during the year, as they realize that their work must have been more onerous than usual.

The preparations for the investigation of the Company's affairs for the triennial period ending 31st Decemper 1900 are well in hand and the necessary documents will soon be forwarded to the consulting actuary, and it is anticipated that his report will be received early next year. The Shareholders and Policyholders who have sent proposals to the Company are heartily thanked for their continued efforts to assist the Company in the conduct of its business and beneficial operations of the Company ; but the Directors desire to urge upon those shareholders and policy holders of the Company who have not yet contributed to the Company's success, that it is within the power of every one to influence in some degree its increasing progress and prosperity. The directors consider that all members can and should assist in the extension and advancement of the Company by introducing many eligible members to it. The board of directors again record with pleasure the zealous services of all the officers of the Company, and they thank all connected with the Company who have helped towards the success of the past year.

THE CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The Chairman in addressing the Meeting said :—Gentlemen—I rise to move the adoption of the report and accounts for the year 1900, which having been duly circulated to the members may be taken as read. As the last annual meeting, I had the satisfaction of bringing to your notice the steady advance the company was making and to-day I am glad to find myself in a position to report a still more satisfactory record of progress than in the preceding year. That we are able to come before you with a report indicative of specially favourable progress is a matter for congratulation. The hindrances to the assurance which have been prevalent in recent years.—I refer to plague and famine—have not passed, yet the company has been able to show increased new business. Government Paper for Rupees fifteen lacks, eighty thousand, was the largest sum since the company was established, was paid into the Trust Fund account last year, and claims were paid for over thirteen lacks. In view of this substantial increase in the total funds, the directors regard the financial position of the Company and its progress generally as unquestionably encouraging to shareholders and policyholders. The Trust Fund in the Official Trustee's hands, exceeds one and a half crores, and the total funds now stand at over one crore, Seventy-one lacks, which may well be regarded as most substantial security for the fulfilment in the future of all contracts. The rate of interest earned on the funds was Rs. 3-10-10 per cent., while there was a reduction of over one per cent, in working expenses,—facts which are further evidence of success and careful control in the Company's affairs. The question of bonuses claims to receive the board's careful attention. The great increase to the funds and to the operations of the Company in all directions each year has given rise to a feeling amongst certain members that it would be well to have the best available qualified auditors that Bombay can furnish. Messrs. Furguson and Irvine Chartered Accountants, were thought of but the fee required was a difficulty. The board, therefore, have resolved to propose that Mr. M. D. Billimoria and Mr. N. R. Mistry, a member of the Incorporated Society of London—be appointed as shareholders and Policy-holders, Auditors respectively. Since the Company was established in 1874 up to the present year—claims for a sum [illegible] over one crores have been paid—so I ask you, Gentlemen, to think of the widows and orphans who have been provided for, who, were it not for the 'Oriental' would have been left destitute. Our Company was the first to find established on a consequently one the first to make a study of the needs of the people of the country with a view to placing life assurance on a just basis and on lines suitable to them. That the people of India do not more fully accept the principle of life assurance is due to their not understanding the principles of life assurance and therefore a responsibility rests upon those who are shareholders and policyholders to do all in their power to bring applicants to the Company. Many do help and those who have done so during the year 1900 are heartily thanked—but there are others who do not become the mediums we are justified in expecting to increase our influence and bring fresh blood into the Company. Gentlemen, I now have much pleasure to move the adoption of the directors' Report and Audited Accounts for the year en ded 31st December, 1900,

Mr. Gordhandas Khatao Makanji seconded the proposition.

Dr. Engineer said that he had written to the Manager of the Company, asking for information with regard to the deaths of certain policy holders, but that he was not supplied with that information. He therefore moved an amendment for the postponement of the meeting until he was furnished with the information he had asked for. Dr. Engineer said that immediately on receiving a copy of the annual report, he wrote to the Manager of the Company to give him the required information, and the latter wrote in reply that as his hands were full with the preparations of the meeting, he could not do so.

The Chairman said that he was informed by the Manager that he received Dr. Engineer's letter on the 18th instant and that he wrote back to say that as his hands were full with the preparations of the meeting, he could not comply with the wishes of Dr. Engineer. The manager further informed him that the 21st instant, was a holiday and during the two days that he had at his disposal, the staff was much pressed with work to enable him to answer the queries, which would necessarily take up some time. The manager was not prepared to answer the querries even at the meeting.

At the suggestion of Mr. K. N. Wadia, the Chairman read to the meeting Dr. Engineer's letter and the reply to it sent by the manager.

Mr. Dwarkadas Dharamsey thought that Dr. Engineer was not in order in moving the amendment.

Mr. Hormusji Shapurji Chothia said that ever since the foundation of the Company he had tried to promote the interest of the Company and bearing that in mind he asked what interest of the Company would be served by the information which Dr. Engineer had asked for. He (Mr. Hormusji) thought that Dr. Engineer's enquiries had nothing whatever to do with the adoption of the report.

Dr. Dinshaw Master and Dr. Jehangir J. Cursetji entirely disagreed with Mr. Hormusji and said that the meeting should be postponed until the information asked for had been supplied. The question raised by Dr. Engineer was an important one and should be dealt with on principle and not on the interests of the Company.

Mr. Soondernath D. Khote said that the information sought for by Dr. Engineer was of an academic character and was in no way connected with the adoption of the report.

Several members at this stage complained that they had all been crammed up in a small room, which was quite inadequate for the purpose. A large number of Sharehol

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DEATH.

COSSER—March 16, at Invergordon, Karachi. Mary, the dearly beloved wife of Thomas Cosser, M I Mech E, aged 59 years.

EUROPE.

BIRTH.

HARLEY—March 2, at Lower Seymour Street, Portman Square, the wife of Major H K Harley, 7th Hussars, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

ANDERSON—KALE—March 2, at St Mary's, Loughton, W M Anderson, M B, B S Lond, son of the Rev J H Anderson, B M S, formerly of India, to Mabel Elizabeth, daughter of J Kale.

PHILLIPS—TUNKS—February 26, at St Paul's Church, Addlestone, Surrey, R S Phillips, Lieutenant 2nd Sikhs, Punjab Frontier Force, to Winifred Rose Caroline, daughter of G G Tunks.

TOWNSHEND—TURZON—February 28, at Kedleston, Derbyshire, W T Townshend, to the Hon Geraldine Emily Curzon, daughter of Lord Scarsdale.

DEATHS.

HUNTER—February 26, at Kensington Gate, General M Hunter, retired, Staff Corps, son of the late Major T M Hunter, H E I C S.

MARWOOD—March 2, at Oxford, J W (Jack), son of Staff Paymaster H Marwood, R N, H M S Highflyer, aged 10.

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BOMBAY.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE s s Hinda, 3361 tons, Captain M England, sailed yesterday for Rangoon in ballast.

THE Hansa Line s s Stolzenfels, 1933 tons, Captain G Struling, will sail to-day for Calcutta with the same botom cargo.

THE B I S N Co's s s Orissa, 3,425 tons, Captain C Hugill, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Calcutta, 10th March, with a cargo of coal. The vessel is consigned to the Bombay Company.

THE B I S N Co's s s Kola, 497 tons, Captain J C Tice, sailed yesterday for Karachee, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Mrs F I Smith, Mr F Pauthaky, Mr Mouradoan, Mr F Abreo Mr K V Morgan, Mr Guider and 53 deck.

THE B I S N Co's s s Rajpootana, 1312 tons, Captain C Kendall arrived in harbour yesterday from Calcutta, 20th February, via Coast ports with general cargo and the following passengers:—Messrs Cown, Grieve, Gerwood and Hanwell and 11 deck.

THE Austrian Lloyd's S N Co's s s Silesia, 3,310 tons Captain F Craghetto, arrived in harbour on Thursday evening, from Trieste, 25th February, via Karachi, with a general cargo, Major and Mrs Stuart Goldfry, child and infant, Mr and Mrs Davidson, Asst Surgeon Mehta, wife and 2 children and 6 deck.

THE B I S N Co's s s Khandalla, 1,318 tons, Captain J G R Metcalfe, which arrived in harbour on Thursday from the Persian Gulf via Karachi, with a general cargo, 49 cases opium, 5 horses, 11 donkeys, and the following passengers:—Mr Cresson, Captain Erunter, Mr Le Chaf, Mr Hanson, Mr T Lodinawali, Mr Rulamaed, ar Khajuro and 124 peck.

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—MARCH 22.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
Tenaserim		Greet			Receiving Hulk
Magdala		Greet			Turret-ship
Abyssinia		Greet			Turret-ship
H H Stossich		Clary-wright			Royal Navy
Pomone		Simons			Royal Navy
Plassey		Carver			Torpedo Catcher
Assaye		Lambert			Do
Baraweg	234	Jaffer			M M & Co
Ballaarat	2869	Field			P & O Co
Clyde	2194	Valentini			P and O Co
Zamania	2832	Lee			M M & Co
Usanina (barque)	592	Roberts			V Kaderbhoy
Southport	720	Roberts			B I S N Co
Lagos	227	Williamson			Standard O Co
Canara	1215	Stebbing			M M & Co
Okhla	3436	Steven			M M & Co
Venus	2312	Morgan			M M & Co
Khandalla	1315	Metcalfe			M M & Co
Nevasa	1315	Jacobs			M M & Co
Islanda	1361	Lee	Rangoon		M M & Co
Egypt	4178	Langborne			P & O Co
Unity	939	Hansen			Bombay Co
Orissa	3325	Hugill			M M & Co

VESSELS IN DOCKS.—MARCH 22.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
A	Clan McNiel	1,091	Makepeace			F M & Co
F	Tobasa	2,99	Seaborne	Hamburg	3-3	F F & Co
D	Safari	852	Ahrens	Zanzibar	2-3	Estrades
K	Longships	2843	Moore	Dunkirk	27-3	W & A G & Co
M	Monsoori	1735	Bennett	Hong Kong		M B & P S N Co
O	Kronberg	2,0	Schultz	Liverpool	25-3	Vikart Bros
P	Lowenburg	3,35	Frerichs	Antwerp	1-4	Glade & Co

HARBOUR WALL.

Satrunji	547	Ahmed	Mangalore		22-3	Shepd & Co
Kaver	333	Abamed	Bhownagor		23-3	Do
Banadri	629	Brewis	Karachi		23-3	Do

VICTORIA DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
3	Nib	1,501	Canzoneri	Venice	27-3	C Boggiano
4	Stolzenfels	1963	Struling	Calcutta	23-3	Glade & Co
5	Parramatta	2854	Denny			P & O Co
6	Coromandel	2783	Vibert	China	26-3	P & O Co
7	Cleopatra	2132	Colledani	Trieste	1-4	A L S N Co
8	Silesia	3310	Craghetto	Rangoon	2-3	A L S N Co
10	Istrar	2976	McKay	Antwerp	29-3	K N & Co
12	India	4181	Worcester	London	23-3	P & O Co
15	Itinda	3361	Clarke	Rangoon		M M & Co

* Probable date of departure.

ARRIVALS.

Mar.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
21	Silesia s	Craghetto	Trieste, Feb 25
22	Kaya s	Langborne	London, Feb 23
	Unity	Hansen	Rangoon, March 11
	Orissa s	Hugill	Calcutta, March 19
	Rajpootana s	Kendall	Calcutta, Feb 20

DEPARTURES.

Mar.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
22	Uriana s	Allen	Calcutta, &c
	Pemba s	Martyr	Zanzibar, &c
	Drachenfels s	Lintig	Hamburg, &c
	Kola s	Tice	Karachi

The steamer Stolzenfels, Captain Struling, obtained her port clearance yesterday for Calcutta.

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday:—
Steamer Southport, for Hull, Hamburg, &c.
" Khandala, for Persian Gulf, &c.
" Anapa, for Calcutta.
" Naseri, for Persian Gulf.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUTENANT-COLONEL LOUIS P. RUSSELL, COMMANDING B. V. A

Bombay, 23rd March.

2. The Wheal Cup Competition will be held at Mahaluxmi Fort on Saturday next. Fall in at Scandal Point at 4-15 p.m., sharp. Dress—Drill order without arms, puttees to be worn.

3. There will be Class Firing at Cooria to-day. Train leaves Victoria Terminus at 6 a.m. and Byculla 6-12 a.m. local time.

5. Members are requested to send in their Servants Passes at once to the Head-quarters office.

By Order,

G. STODDART, Capt. R. A,
Adjutant, B. V. A.

HIGH COURT.—MARCH 23.

Before the Hon'ble Mr Justice B. TYABJEE.
Suits for hearing and final disposal.
Long Causes.

247-99—Payne G S and M—Jethmal Purmanand and another vs The B B and C I R Co—Crawford B and Co—Part heard.

Before the Hon'ble Mr Justice RUSSELL.
Suits for hearing and final disposal.
Long Cause.

873-99—Mansukial D and J—Gordhundas Soonderdas vs Bai Ramkuvar and others—Smetham B and N and Edgelow G and W. Part heard.

MAHOMEDAN EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE.

ON Thursday morning the Conference again sat. Mr. Moscardi, the District and Sessions Judge, Surat, was in the chair. A lecture was delivered by Moulvi Ahmedali of Cawnpore. That commercial education should be encouraged was proposed by Munshi Abdool Karim and seconded by Moulvi Abdulcadir Beakza.

Koomar Shri Baldevji of Dharampore, in a stirring speech, brought to the notice of the audience that they should educate their children.

Mr. Jervis, the headmaster, spoke on the benefits of education. A resolution was passed amid cheers that letters of thanks to His Excellency the Governor and Sir Charles Ollivant should be sent.

After this Nawab Mohsinul Mulk dwelt at length on the benefits of establishing this Conference and said that the Mahomedans should devote themselves to educational and social problems and to steer clear of political agitation.

A vote of thanks to the Dowager Begum of Sachin, the Dowagar Begum of Bela, Mrs. M. A. Rogay Fatmabibi Saheb and Begum Nasrulahkhan was moved by Moulvi Abdul Cadir Beakza and seconded by Syed Zani Saheb El-Edrus.

Mahabada Nasrullahkhan proposed a vote of thanks to the chairman, seconded by Khan Bahadur Yusuf Ali Khan.

Before closing the proceedings it was proposed by Nawabada Nasrullakhan that the whole company should pray for the long life and prosperity of our Emperor.

The proposal was seconded by the Zani Saheb El-Edrus and supported by Moulvi Abdul Cadir Beakza.

Nawab Mohsinul-Mulk led the prayers, all present standing and saying Amen.

THE BOMBAY GAZETTE OVERLAND SUMMARY.

(Compiled for despatch by the Weekly Mail to Europe.)

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DIVINE SERVICE.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT, MARCH 24.

SAINT THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—(Choral.) Eyre in E flat
Hymns—96, 105, 553 and 191.
5 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon by the Revd Canon Roberts
Hymns—96, 107, and 108.
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis—Foster and Stainer.
The collections are for the additional Clergy Society.
Daily Matins at 6-45 a.m. and Evensong at 5 p.m.
Daily Holy Communion at 7-15 a.m.
Monday 25th—Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
7-15 a.m.—Holy Communion (Choral).

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, ESPLANADE,
(Near School of Art.)

8 a.m.—Holy Communion (Choral).
Hymns—96, 311 (i) and 195.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.
Hymns—96, 107 and 108.
The Collections are for Church Expenses.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,
(Church of Scotland.)

11 a.m.—Joint Service—Psalm 109, tune 26.
Hymns—101, 284 and 229.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
5 p.m.—Young Men's Guild in the Vestry.
6 p.m.—Evening Service, Psalm 81 tune 162.
Hymns—44 2nd tune 75 95 and 250.
Collection for Church expenses.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MAZAGON.

6 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
7 a.m.—Holy Eucharist (Choral) Preacher, Rev. Father Nicholson.
10 a.m.—Children's Service
10-15 a.m.—Matins.
6 p.m.—Evensong (Choral) Preacher, Rev. Father Tovey. Alms for Choir and Organ.

CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, PAREL.
Madras Time.

Celebrations of the Holy Eucharist.
8 a.m.—Matins and Sermon.
8-30 a.m.—Hymns 279, 103 and 169.
3-30 pm—Sunday School and Sermon.
6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Hymns—39, 409, 449, 166, and 551.

UNITED FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.
Esplanade Road

4-30 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class.
6 p.m.—Evening Service Hymns 379, 640 and 165 Psalm 145 tune 21
11 a.m.—Joint Service in St. Andrew's Church.

MISSION CHURCH GIRGAUM.

7 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon by Rev Canon Roberts.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer, and Sermon by Rev. H McNeile.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
4-45 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

Daily Services.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
5 p.m.—Evensong.
7-30 a.m. Thursday—Holy Communion.

BOWEN MEMORIAL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH,
(Apollo Bunder).

9-15 a.m.—Sunday School.
11 a m.—Sermon by Rev. A. Garden Fraser.
6 p.m.—Sermon by Rev. L. E. Luzell.
6 p.m.—Also Prayer Meeting on Wednesday
All Seats free, and strangers cordially welcomed.

ST. NICHOLAS' SEAMEN'S CHURCH.
Opposite the Main Gate of Prince's Dock.

8 a.m.—Matins.
6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
The north door of the Church is open every day till sunset for private prayer.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, MALABAR HILL,

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

WESLEYAN CHURCH.
(Colaba Causeway.)

8 a.m.—Parade Service. Preacher, Revd. F R Atkins.
6 p.m.—Preacher Rev, W. Seed.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
8 p.m.—Social Hour.
(Wesleyan Church, Victoria Gardens, Byculla.)
9-30 a.m.—Preacher, Rev. W. Seed.
7 p.m.—Preacher, Rev. F. R. Atkins.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, COLABA.
(Afghan Memorial Church.)

8 a.m.—Missa Cantata (Merbecke).
Hymns—187, 315 and 182.
11 a. m.—Choral Matins and Sermon by the Rev. C. F. Hatchell, Chaplain of Byculla (Parade Service)
Hymns—512, 107 and 285.
6 p.m.—Choral, Evensong and Sermon.
Hymns—91, 374, 4 and 95.
Anthem—Turn Thy Face, T. Attwood.
Hymns—533 and 97 Psalm 51.

BOMBAY RACES.

TENTH EXTRA MEETING.
HORSES STRUCK OUT.

The Epsom Plate—Beadsman.
The Chowpatty Stakes—Fife and Drum.
The Spring Stakes—Hakum.
The Matoonga Plate—Dispute and British Flag.
The Prongs Plate—Greyleg, Chester, Sur Jamal, Grey Fox, Orphan and Boostan.
The Imperers Handicap—Banas.
The Nursery Stakes—Diamond, Euphrates and Remember.
The Beginners Handicap—Muzooon.

TIME AND ORDER OF RUNNING.

	F.	M.
1st Race—The Beginners' Handicap	3	5
2nd Race—The Nursery Stakes	3	20
3rd Race—The Chowpatty Stakes	3	55
4th Race—The Prongs Plate	4	25
5th Race—The Springs Stakes	4	50
6th Race—The Epsom Plate	5	15
7th Race—The Matoonga Plate	5	45
8th Race—The Imperors Handicap	6	10

By kind permission of Officer Commanding and the Officers of the 21st Bombay Infantry their Band will play during the afternoon.

A SPECIAL TRAIN LEAVES:—

	Local time. P. M.
Colaba	2 30
Church Gate	2 35
Grand Road	2 46
Arrives at Mahaluxmi	2 51

THE WEATHER.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M., ON FRIDAY, THE 22ND OF MARCH.

SUMMARY.

The pressure changes of the past 24 hours have been small and unimportant. Readings are highest at and about Colaba and Trombay and lowest in the north. Gradients are slight.

Winds are very variable in direction and the force has been moderate to light.

The variations of both the maximum and minimum temperatures are small except at Bhavnagar Para and Ratnagiri, where the maximum is about 8° in excess of normal, and at Ajmere, Ahmedabad, Bhavnagar Para, Surat, Malegaon, Amrasti, Khandwa, Indore, Hoshangabad and Sangor, where the minimum is from 5° to 12° in excess. The highest temperature in the shade was 105° at Khandwa and the lowest 63° at Cawnpore.

Humdity changes are unimportant and the skies are more or less cloudy in several places.

Rain in very light showers has fallen at Ahmednagar and Raipur.

Pressure values along the West Coast from Cochin to Bombay are much the same as yesterday, and the weather though slightly unsettled shows a tendency to become clear.

E. A. KENYON,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA.

Bombay, 21st March 1901.

Means of observations taken at 4 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg., Fah.	inches 29·936
Temperature of the Air	degrees 89·1
Wet Bulb Thermometer	73·3
Dew Point	71·4
Relative humidity of Air	0·749
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded = 10)	7·4
Maximum temperature of air (read at 8 a.m.) next day	degrees 94·3
Minimum do. do. (read at 8 a.m.)	76·3
General Directions of wind*.	NNW, NE, WNW, NW, N,
Movement of Wind in 24 hours*	miles 141

* From midnight to midnight.

N. A. F. MOOS,
Director, Government Observatory.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

THURSDAY NIGHT—March 21

10 p.m.	78·2

FRIDAY—March 22.

8 a.m.	78·2
10 a.m.	83·3
2 p.m.	89·2
6 p.m.	86·1

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COLONEL E. FERRERS NICHOLSON, COMMANDING B. V. R.

Bombay, 23rd March.

1. The Annual Inspection of the Corps by the General Officer Commanding will take place to-day, Saturday, the 23rd instant, Fall in at the Gymkhana end of the Parade Ground at 4-15 p.m. Dress.—Review Order, Khaki.

(2) Every Member, who is not on leave, is required by the Volunteer Regulations to be present or to furnish a medical certificate. Leave will only be granted for good cause shown.

(3) Rifles, &c., brought to Headquarters by Members will be cleaned and re-issued to them within a few minutes after receipt.

(4) The Commanding Officer trusts that Officers Commanding Companies will endeavour to get every available Member of their Company to attend this parade.

(5) The Non-commissioned Officers and Volunteers must be warned that they must have their Arms, Accoutrements, Buttons and Helmet fittings well cleaned for this parade.

(6) Ammunition boots must be worn by all members (except Officers and Cyclists). Those who have not yet drawn boots can obtain them on application at Head-quarters.

(7) As the Arms, &c., will be returned to the Armoury after the Inspection, Members are requested to bring their Jags and Sight Protectors in their Pouches to this Parade. Arrangements regarding re-issue of Rifles will be made for Members who may not have completed their Class Firing by the 24th instant.

2. Leave of absence has been granted to No. 4731 Vol R E Osborne, D Company from the 20th March to the 30th April.

By Order,

P. H. ROGERS, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R

The Bombay Gazette

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 1901.

THE AMERICAN STEEL AND IRON TRADE.

THE enrolment of the Steel Trust of America which was lately announced, makes the iron resources of that country a still more powerful factor in the race for front place which the United States has undoubtedly secured. For a long time past America has outstepped every other country easily in the volume of her steel manufacture, partly because of her skilful use of machinery and her employment of economical inventions that reduced the cost and increased the output, but behind all this was the broad fact that her iron deposits were practically inexhaustible and that most of those worked were near some of the finest waterways in the world. An interesting article in the CENTURY by Waldon Fawcett on "Mining of Iron" gives us some idea of the store of that metal standing behind the American Trust that threatens to crush all other steel industries. When we are told that, out of the millions of people inhabiting the United States, one in every fourteen is dependent on iron for his living, it brings home to the ordinary reader the enormous part that iron plays in the economy of the country. We read of the vessels on Lake Superior, nearly as large as the ocean greyhounds, which receive the rough ore at the rate of ten tons a second through chutes down which it is shot in trainloads that come from the great pits where miners and machinery are madly at work scooping it up and putting it in the trains with the speed and accuracy of lightning. The vessels transport the ore to the nearest port to the foundries. Huge buckets like clam-shells that devour ten tons at a time quickly empty the ships of their load. A million men are employed in the iron trade in the United States, two-fifths of these being engaged in this transportation of the ore. These dispose of iron annually of the value of nearly a million of dollars, and receive for their work about half a million. For some years past the necessity for reducing the cost of production, while the price of iron in the market was falling through competition, set the rich corporations which controlled the different mines on the track of every possible method by which a margin of profit could be maintained. At last came the big business combination, the "trust" which we have lately seen inaugurated, including the biggest iron-mining corporations in America. Of the influence which these corporations possess we can have some idea from Mr. Fawcett's facts. There are engaged in the production of steel and iron in the United States eleven huge consolidations with a total authorised capital exceeding fourfold the greatest cash balance in the United States Treasury at any one time since the Civil War. If all these agree to be under one management right through the process of production and manufacture, such a saving is effected as gives their combination control of a large share of the iron trade of the world. When we add to this the fact that they own the mines, the railroads and boats, the blast-furnaces, the plants, and even the coal-mines which provide the fuel, we can no longer wonder that they have ventured to combine against the world.

Most of these corporations have their origin in and about Lake Superior, some, but little in proportion, importing ore from Cuba and Newfoundland, and some working in Alabama and the south. But three-fourths at least of the raw metal produced comes from Lake Superior where, at the lowest computation, five hundred million dollars are invested in the business. One hundred of the mines here produce nearly twenty million tons of ore yearly, and this "sells for enough money to pay the interest on the public debt of the United States for over two years"—not that it is directly put to that national purpose. To transport this huge quantity of ore there are rail-roads and docks, and several hundreds of vessels and docks again at the lower lake ports, and the rail roads to the mills and furnaces, in all of which enormous capital is sunk amounting to about two hundred and fifty million dollars. The twenty million tons of ore turned ont of the Lake Superior district is doubly what any other mining region in the rest of the world can offer. If three lines of railroads extended from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast with wagons all the way they would be filled by this produce of one year. It is only forty-five years since the first diggers found iron ore in this mining country, and in that time the annual output has increased one hundred and fifty fold. At the present rate of increase the world will be flooded with iron, for in 1898-99, the output exceeded the total for the thirty years ending with 1882. The raising of the ore to the surface of the mines is one of the most interesting of the operations in the production of iron. The steam-shovels, which are posted by the bank of ore and driven by gigantic engines, weigh more than a locomotive and cost more than five thousand dollars each. But they do their work gallantly, steadily and unceasingly. At the bidding of the engine, they dig into the ore, and with every turn snatch out five tons of it. Five times is this done before a "car" is loaded, but five minutes and often less time does it. To get this bank of ore ready for these all-embracing machines, dynamiters are at work, and when their task is done labourers with pickaxes loosen the ore and it slides down to the shovels.

The evolution in the method of transporting the freight-trains, through the shafts and roads in the mines has brought electric or compressed-air motors into general use, which do the journey five-fold as fast as the old mule-system did. The opening up of mines takes a varying amount of time and capital. It is on record of one mine in Minnesota that after two years spent in digging a working shaft, purchasing and starting machinery, making a railroad to carry off the output, in its first season resulted in obtaining over a hundred thousand tons of ore, which paid the expenses of the whole previous work and gave a profit as well. When the covering of earth is thicker, it is often necessary to remove a stratum of thirty or forty feet to get at the ore. Then the "stripping" is a serious undertaking. In 1899 a contract for uncovering a mine was entered into which will tax the energies of several thousand workmen, for five or six years and for which the contractors will receive 4,500,000 dollars. The tract thus stripped will comprise several thousand acres. This process is not a dangerous one, but when the ore has to be "shaken up" by powder the risk for the miner begins. Holes to the depth of many feet, and several inches in diameter are driven by pointed steel bars. Then a dynamite stick is dropped in, and the hole is enlarged. Into this five or six kegs of black powder are poured, and exploded. This goes on merrily all day, thirty-five kegs of powder being the average consumption in an ordinary mine. Thus the ore is loosened for the steam-shovel process. The severe and long frosts of winter have also to be fought with blasting when the spring opens, for the heaps of ore that accumulate are frozen so hard, that powder is poured into them to free them from the iron grasp of frost and hasten the work of nature. No undertaking is too great for these alert United States miners. Nature is circumvented or utilised in every possible way. A river is diverted if it comes in the way of working a good iron range. The natural moisture in the ore itself has to be disposed of, often to the amount of four hundred gallons a minute in a mine. But it is done, and every month new methods by which more economical working is ensured are fearlessly adopted. The consequence is that many a mine has been known to pay for itself in a single season. And the profits netted by others in one year aggregate half again as much as their authorised capital. The actual labourers in the mine share in this prosperity, the labor supply is seldom adequate for the wants of the mining region and is consequently well paid. Mr. Fawcett says it is the "promised land" of organised labor for workers of every grade are scarce and high-priced. The iron-miners are a hardy, thrifty lot as a rule. They are very independent, and though many bring their families and set up homes and have savings-bank accounts, others work as long as they like, and change to harvest-fields in the North-West for variety of occupation in the few weeks of harvest high wages. It will be interesting to follow the developments that must result from the pooling of the resources of the mighty corporations which control the iron mines and industry of the United States. Can other countries resist in any measure this monopoly or must they patriotically use their own ore at greater cost than Uncle Sam's "Trust" could supply them?

MODERN ARTILLERY. LIEUT. A. T. DAWSON, an artillery expert, formerly belonging to the Royal Navy and now associated with the firm of Messrs. Vickers Maxim & Co., read an interesting paper on "Modern Artillery" before the Society of Arts in the week the mail left. The essay was mainly a description of various types of modern ordnance in use for sea and field service, but at the outset he pressed home the necessity of Great Britain placing the most effective weapons at the disposal of our soldiers and sailors. One strong point he made was that warships, still armed with muzzle-loaders, of which the "Inflexible" is an example, should be re-armed with modern artillery. The alternative would be to sell the obsolete vessels, which Lieut. Dawson indicates would have no chance against cruisers of the French "Canard" class, which, equipped with modern guns and telescopic sights, would be able to make good practice at a range at which the guns of the "Inflexible" would be powerless to reach her. He futher advocated that all British merchant ships, over a tonnage of 3,000 tons displacement and having a speed of seventeen knots, should be required to have suitable deck attachments for the accommodation of 6-inch quick-firing guns. Such vessels would be of immense service as armed cruisers in time of war. Discussing the advantages of smokeless powders Lieut. Dawson observes that while Great Britain was wise in adopting cordite, which contains about 57 per cent. of nitro-glycerine, at a time when experiments with nitro-cellulose powders showed unsatisfactory results, the manufacture of the latter has now so improved that it is being preferred throughout Europe and in America. It is claimed for nitro-cellulose powder that it has the great advantage of producing in modern artillery the highest possible ballistics with the least possible amount of wear to the gun. There are a number of objections to the use of cordite, but the most important disadvantage is that with this powder "no higher velocity than (say) about 2,500 feet can be obtained for any reasonable number of rounds." With nitro-cellulose powder, however, velocities up to and exceeding 3,000 feet can be easily obtained. It is therefore urged that the use of cordite should now be discontinued in favour of the nitro-cellulose which assists accuracy of fire by the fact that its temperature of explosion being half that of cordite the wear on the gun is considerably diminished. Another aid to accuracy of aim in long range firing is the use of a good form of telescopic sight. Dealing with land service artillery the essayist favoured the use of a heavy type of shrapnel for modern field guns for the reason that much greater accuracy is thereby obtained at the long ranges. To ensure the accurate bursting of the shrapnel the time-fuse

TELEGRAMS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

DESPATCH FROM LORD KITCHENER.

LONDON, MARCH 21.

A despatch from Lord Kitchener, dated from Pretoria, states that P. Botha, the brother of the Commandant Botha has been killed at Doornberg and his two sons wounded.

The Boers in the Orange Colony are disbanded and scattered.

De Wet is near Heilbron.

THE TERMS REJECTED BY BOTHA.

LONDON, MAR. 22.

A Parliamentary paper issued states that the terms from rejected by Botha included a general amnesty except to Colonial rebels' return, of the prisoners St Helena and Ceylon, the establishment of a Crown Colony and ultimately a representative government, the equality of the English and Dutch languages, assistance to farmers by loan, the payment of Boer claims for damage not exceeding a total of one million sterling, the Burghers to be allowed rifles on license and a limited franchise to Kaffirs after representative government.

THE DISPUTE AT TIENTSIN.

Lord Lansdowne, in the House of Lords, this evening, stated that the British and Russians had agreed to withdraw their troops from the disputed territory at Tientsin, reserving the question of ownership for subsequent examination.

Lord Lansdowne in making this statement further said that the proposal for a settlement emanated from Count Lamsdorff, the Russian Foreign Minister, and that Great Britain gladly concurred.

THE CABLE TO INDIA QUESTION.

It is understood that Sir Edward Sassoon, who was the first witness called before the departmental cable committee, recommended India to exercise option of European regime and thus automatically reduce the telegraph charges fifty per cent. Failing this he advised the denunciation of the International Convention with the establishment of a new cable to India with an alternative land route via France, Italy, Vallona and Fao. He also urged the adoption of two categories of telegrame, urgent and deferred at 2s. 3d. and 1s 9d. per word, respectively.

PLAGUE IN ENGLAND.

A steward of the hospital ship Simla, which arrived at Southampton, on the 13th March, from the Cape, has been attacked with plague.

THE MAILS.

LONDON, MARCH 21.

The Bombay mails of the 9th instant arrived a Brindisi yesterday.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

PORTSAID, MARCH 21.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Rewa left here this afternoon.

SUEZ, MARCH 21.

The P. and O. S. N. Co.'s steamer Oriental arrived here from Colombo this morning.

LIVERPOOL, MARCH 21.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Cumming left here for Colombo, Madras and Calcutta this morning.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, MARCH 21.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed easier,

Surats dull.

Good Bhownagar 3 3/8-32.

The Manchester market has been dull.

2 3-4 per cent. Consols	95 13-16
3 per cent. Rentes	101 1-2
3 1-2 per cent. Sterling	107
4 per cent. Rupee Papers	63 1-2
Bar Silver	27 15-16

The Bank of England Returns for the week ending yesterday show the results to be as follows:—Bullion £30,200,000, Decrease £100,000; Public Deposits £13,200,000; Increase £900,000. Other Deposits £37,500,000, Decrease £900,000. Other Securities £31,200,000, Increase £300,000; Notes and Gold £25,700,000.

The Banks Reserve 51 per cent. of the liabilities.

Silver to Bombay is £170,000.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

The P. and O. S. N. Co.'s s. s. India Captain W. G. D. Worcester, will sail to-day for Marseilles and London, with the English mail and the following passengers:—

Mr and Mrs Ramsden
Mr and Mrs J Thompson and Infants
Major and Mrs M A Collier
Mrs Sands
Mrs Lumsden
Mrs Waddell
Mrs Haskell
Mrs and the three Misses Vavasour Wilts
Mr and Mrs E B Standbridge
Mr R W Border
Miss H S Atkinson
Mr and Mrs F J Pert and infant and three children
Mrs Snow and child
Mr J E Elmore
Mr W E Cooper
Mr W D Kilby
Major F A C Kreyer
Mrs G A Tweedy and child
Mr and Mrs R G Panton and infant
Col and Mrs W G King
Mrs G F Grant
Mrs F de B Hancock child and infant
Miss B Haskell
Mr J Greaves
Mr J S Booth
Mrs A Kennedy
Mr and Mrs D C Johnstone
Miss E M Martin
Major and Mrs Mc Gough Bond
Mr and Miss Pratt
Miss Bruncker
Mr Brady
Mr A McGavin
Mr D McGavin
Mr and Mrs G J MacDonald
Mr H S Brown and child
Miss Brown
Mr and Mrs C W Chitty and child
Miss C A Coote
Mrs G R Stodd
Mr D R Lyall
Mr L A Smith
Mr K W D Russell
Mrs J A Polwhele and infant
Mrs Redman
Miss S Chadwick
Mr and Mrs T Inglis
Mrs H D Merewether
Dr Adams
Mrs Adams and two infants
Miss Bate
Miss Agnus
Miss K Haskell
Mrs A Knyvett
Mrs O'Dwyer and two children
Mrs J R Nicols and child
Mr W Cabell
Dr and Mrs F H Hatch
Mr and Mrs W C Aldnham
Mrs and Miss Vince
Mr T C Stafford
Mr H G C Keene
Mrs Keene
Mr C E Crawley
Mrs R E Cross and two children
Mrs Anderson Brown
Miss D de R Dotson
Miss M Fry
Mr A J Dunlop
Mrs Dunlop
Mr W Jessop and child
Mrs M Henderson
Miss M Ford
Miss Hardy
Mr and Mrs D H D French
Mr G N R Lambert
Mrs Cl Des Voeux
Mrs Bisson
Mr W Shirreff
Mr and Mrs W S Millard and Infant
Mr J L Hill
Mr Murray
Lady Newnham Smith
Mr M W Litton
Miss Cottar
Mrs Henry Lewis
Miss E B Watson
Mr and Mrs C F Rennick and Infant
Mr W G Grazebrook
Mr and Mrs F Armfield
Mr A Meredith
Mrs Womack
Miss Chapman
Mr T L Bolton
Mr K J Gundar
Mrs Dove Wilcox
Mrs G Reid and boy
Hon O'Brien
Mr J H Grant
Mr and Mrs G Reddick two children and infant
Mr and Mrs R E S Thomas
Mr and Mrs J Frater Taylor and infant
Mrs C Bedford
Mrs Nugent
Mr G W Mathews
Mr and Mrs A G Newcomen child and Governess
Mrs Mackenzie and infant
Mr W Thomson and infant
Brig-Surg C E Wikeley
Mr and Mrs C J Sibold
Master Currie
Mr R B Doake
Mr W Girrlock
Mr and Mrs H Hart
Mrs C Hodengnan
Mrs H Groves
Mr F Tisdall
Mr D Dunlop
Miss E Sykes
Miss K T Dodson
Miss H M Dodson
Capt R G Burton
Lieut-Col A W Mackenzie
Mrs Mackenzie and infant
Mr R E Chichester
Capt and Mrs Dallas and two children
Mrs Bunbury and 2 children
Mr Lasgmore
Mr C E Dunlop
Rev Wright Henderson
Mr James McArthur
Mr S Verringlo
Mr H Fisher
Miss Bradley
Mr R B Marshall
Mr R G Strange
Mrs A R Holmes
Miss Walker
Lady Curzon and two children
Mr P G Walker
Mr A Beckie
Mr James Morgan
Mr W A Wilson
Mr J A Kennison
Mrs J W S Haslam and child
Miss Harris
Mr and Mrs L Napier
Mr W H Mills
Miss M Ward
Mr J Wheeler
Mr Duffus
Mr R L Ricketts
Mr W A Vincent
Miss C Tonnochy
Mr T H Phelps
Mr and Mrs W C John and infant
Mr R Peel
Mr H H Haines
Miss Marshall
Miss Fryer
Mrs E G Leslie
Lieut H B W Smith Rewse
Mr H K Warren
Mr Knight
Miss Knight
Miss Myers
Mr and Mrs Morgan and child
Mr and Mrs Abbott and Infant
Mr D L Miller
Major W J Newell
Mr T J Couldrey
Mr A V Tindall Lucas
Mr R Manley
Mr and Mrs Jardine
Major W J Ryder
Mr and Mrs Wilson Landale
Mr H G Hill
Mr and Mrs R B Hennekey
Miss M Dodington
Miss Grant Robertson
Mrs Barclay and child and nurse.
Miss F Haskell
Miss K Haskell
Mr J Greves
Mr W Haskell
Miss E B Watson
Mrs G Reid and Boy
Hon'ble O'Brien
Mr James McArthur
Mr S Verschoy
Mrs C J Dickinson
Mr W A Wilson
Mr W Girrlock
Maj C S Meyer
Mr H F Jacob
Capt J B R Bucobsyr
Lieut M A Hamer
Col Newnham Smith
Revd A E Bowlby
Mrs Bowlby
Mr H E Lewis
Miss Henderson
Miss Hary Cooper
Mr J O B Saunders
Mr W Gordon
Mrs Hooper
Master Jarejs
Miss M Merrick
Mrs Fisher and infi
Mr J Dunlop
Mr W A Turner
Mr W Gibbon
Mr G S Sharma
Mr A M Sarkies
Mr Mandleson
Mr Greuling
Mr H J Gunders
Mrs G R Fox
Mr A Macdonald
Miss C G Hull
Major Prior
Mrs Prior and infi
Maj and Mrs Pratt
Mr and Mrs F L Seely
Mrs Hargens child and infi

FOLLOWING the reduce trade of the previous months, there was a slight increase in the value of export by sea from Calcutta to foreign countries during February. The total value is given as almost four crores, the advance amounting to three lakhs. Indigo shipments were larger though at a considerable sacrifice in value. The greatest quantity went to the United States. Jute and tea were also sent away in larger quantities. Coal was in excess by 18,392 tons, chiefly to Ceylon. To China and Japan there was a greater trade in raw cotton. Hides and skins have continued to show a large decrease, equal to nearly lakhs in value. Rice shipments also fell off as much as 235, 143 cwt. Silk, oilseeds, jute manufactures, and cotton twist have all decreased in of shipment.

THE VICEROY'S COUNCIL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 22.

At the Viceroy's Council to-day, the Indian Christians Probate Relief Bill and the Indian Mines Bill were passed without material alteration and come into force immediately.

The debate on the Mines Bill was prolonged, but the mining representatives moved no amendments of importance.

INDIGO PROSPECTS.

The Indigo prospects in Behar are now reported to be excellent and the young plants are thriving.

SIR HENRY PRINSEP.

Sir Henry Prinsep, Judge of the Calcutta High Court, proceeds on leave; Mr. A. E. Stanley officiating in his absence.

MILITARY NEWS.

Brigadier-General Vousden has been appointed to command the Punjab Frontier Force, while Colone J. E. Nixon proceeds to China to relieve General Barrow, who returns to India.

LADY CURZON'S DEPARTURE.

There was a large gathering last night at Howrah to see Lady Curzon and her children off.

BOER PRISONERS FOR BOMBAY AND MADRAS.

The Government of India have suggested that the first two batches of Boer prisoners, of one thousand each, should be sent one to Madras, and the other to Bombay to be forwarded to suitable places within twelve hours by rail of each port, travelling by night.

NEW GUNS FOR INDIA.

Six holchkiss 303 guns with Elswich, pack mountings, Sir Clots automatic 303 guns in tripod mountings and six one pounders Vickers's maxim guns with field carriages are being brought out from home for trial in India.

PORT OFFICER, KARACHI.

The appointment of Commander Hooper to officiate as Port Officer, Karachi, Vice Hewett on leave, is sanctioned.

GAZETTE OF INDIA NOTIFICATIONS.

CALCUTTA, MARCH 22.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Mr. A. F. D. Pennington, Civil Service, retires on the 4th May.

Captain Harvest is transferred from the Belgaum to the North-West Provinces as Cantonment Magistrate.

Mr. J. Dear, C. S. and Revds. W. A. Hamilton and C. Swynnerton are permitted to retire.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Mr. A. Williams, from leave, is posted to the Home Department, as Deputy Secretary.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

Assistant-Surgeon A. Rodrigues receives a step.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

Mr. A Coverton becomes Second Lieutenant,

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Lieutenant Hoddleston and Forteath are gazetted Marine Transport Officers China Force.

Lieutenant A. S. S. Warden is transferred to the retired list.

REVENUE AND AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT.

Messrs. S. I. McIlver, P. Kershasp and D. G. Waller of the Madras Civil Service, and Messrs. R. C. Hamilton, A. H. Vernede and E. H. Corbet are posted to famine duty in Bombay

Dr. Noetting, of the Geological Survey, has six months' leave.

BOMBAY COMMAND ORDERS.

POONA, MARCH 22

The Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces is pleased to make the following appointments:—

District Staff.—Captain Minague, 1st Battalion West Yorks Regiment, Station Staff Officer, Nusseerabad, to officiate as D.A.A.G., Nagpore District, vice Major Bowes, proceeding on eight months' leave to England. Dated 13th March 1901.

Station Staff.—Captain Church, Royal Garrison Artillery R.G.A., to officiate as S. S. Ch. 1st Class, Nusseerabad, vice Captain Minague appointed officiating D. A. A. G., Nagpore District. Dated 10th March, 1901.

4th Bombay Rifles—Lieutenant Sergeant Double Company Officer, 14th Bombay Infantry is transferred in the same capacity.

The appointment of Lieutenant Burne, R. E., as Adjutant, Bombay Sappers and Miners notified in Bombay Command Order No 388 of 1900 is antidated to 2nd April 1899.

R. A. M. C.—The undermentioned Officers who arrived from England are posted as follows:—Lieutenant Adderly to Poona District; Lieutenant Tobin to Bombay District; Lieutenant Leary to Mhow District.

The undermentioned Officers have passed tests for retention in the Indian Staff Corps: Lieutenant Maunsell, 5th Bombay Cavalry; Lieut. Bruce, 7th Bombay Lancers; Lieut. Wilkinson, 7th Bombay Lancers.

The undermentioned Officers are qualified for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant 1st Battalion Shropshire Light Infantry—: 2nd Lieuts. Bird and Murray, 2nd Lieut Vernon Harcourt, Welsh Regiment.

Under instructions received from the War Office it is notified that Lieutenant Crozier, Depot Mountain Division, Newport, has been appointed to No. 7 Mountain Battery R. G. A., vice MacFarlan who creates a vacancy on promotion.

2nd Lieutenant Smart No. 27 Company Eastern Division has been posted to No. 16 Company Western Division R. G. A.

Under instructions from the War Office Major Gavin, R. S. Regiment, is directed to proceed to South Africa to join the 1st Battalion of which he has been appointed 2nd in Command.

Under instructions from the War Office Captain Burch, R. I. Regiment, is directed to proceed to South Africa with the least possible delay to join the 1st Battalion of his regiment into which has been absorbed.

The undermentioned Officer is granted leave to proceed out of India on private affairs under the leave rules for the Staff Corps; specified period to count from the date of being struck off duty:—Lieutenant Brackenbury, Staff Corps, Adjutant, 5th Bombay Light Infantry, for one year. Pension service eleventh year commenced 4th March 1901.

The undermentioned officers have leave of absence:—Royal Scots, 2nd Battalion.—Captain Dandas, 12 months on private affairs out of India.

Oxfordshire L. I.—Lieuteant Mitchell, 6 months on medical certificate out of India.

Army Veterinary Department—Vety Lieut. Bolton 3 months on private affairs in India.

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB REGATTA.

LIST OF ENTRIES FOR THIRD DAY, SATURDAY MARCH 23.

1st RACE.—Challenge Cup—Being second race of the series for yachts of any rig and size on the list of the Royal Bombay Yacht Club, R. R. A. time-allowances for sailing, 1st Prize, Rs. 50; 2nd Prize, Rs., 25; and 3rd Prize, Rs. 15. To start at 2-15 p.m.

Course No. 3 followed by No. 2, viz., from Committee Vessel round South Karanja Buoy and round Sunk Rock, leaving both to starboard; round North Karanja Buoy, leaving it to port; round Committee Vessel and round South Karanja Buoy, leaving both to starboard, and finishing at Committee Vessel. Length of course 17.2 miles.

Yacht.	Rig.	Rating.	Owner.	Allowances.
1 Nitella	Cutter	36·29	Mr C T R Scovell	Allows M. S.
2 Chita	Yawl	33·73	Mr E Comber	15
3 Nanta	Lug	30·18	Mr G T W Olver	11 21
4 Sapphire	Lug	30·00	Mr E S Luard	11 48
5 Turquoise	Lug	27·39	Mr F Tebbs	12 46
6 Ino	Cutter	19·38	Mr J B K Macbeth	13 15

2nd RACE.—For man-o-war and bona fide ship's open boats of any size with Service Rig and under Service Conditions. Entrance, Rs. 3 1st, Prize, Rs 50 and 2nd Prize, Rs. 25. To start at 2-45 p.m.

Course No. 10, viz., from Committee Vessel round Tucker Beacon, leaving it to port; round the two Red Diamond Buoys (W. N. W. and N. of Butcher Id.), respectively, round Moorings Buoy (N. E. Butcher Id.), round Butcher Beacon and round North Karanja Buoy, leaving them all to starboard, and finishing at Committee Vessel. Length of course 12·5 miles.

Boat's Name.	Length	Entered by	Time Allowances
1 H M S Magdala's Cutter	28ft.	Mr D O Keefe	Allows M. S.
2 H M S Abyssinius Cutter	27ft.	Mr T Shanahan	3 7
3 R I M Dockyard Cutter	28ft.	Mr A Mitchell	5 12
4 H M S Magdala's Cutter	25ft.	Mr L Bridle	7 42
5 H M S Assaye's Cutter	25ft.	Lt H Morland	7 42

3rd Race.—Handicap for those yachts on the R. B. Y. Club list that are not entered for the first race. Entrance, Rs. 5, Prize, Rs. 50. To start with time in hand, first yacht at 3 o'clock.

Course No 1 followed by No. 13, viz., from Committee Vessel round South Karanja Buoy, round Sunk Rock, round Committee Vessel, round Middle Ground Buoy, round Markboat with 'R' flag at South Troopship Buoy and back to finish at Committee Vessel, leaving all marks to starboard. Length of course 9 miles.

Yacht.	Rig.	Owner.	H'cap.	Start at. H. M.
1 Pixie	Sloop	Mr E R Smetham	Allows Ms. 3	2 20
2 Hukla	Sloop	Mr C W S Coo	10	3 10
3 Dart	Sloop	Mr C C S Sweetenham	20	3 0

4th Race.—For boats of the Club's 'Tomtit' class. Entrance, Rs. 5, 1st Prize, Rs. 75 and 2nd Prize Rs. 40. To start at 3-30 p. m.

Course No. 1 followed by No, 13, viz., same as above.

Boat's Name.	Colour of Hull.	Owner.
1 Mog	Varnish	Mr C H Byrne
2 Cloths	Red	Capt G Lamb I M S
3 To-hit	Grey	Dr F M Gibson
4 Tit-mouse	Varnish	Mr R H Hopkins

ENGLISH POLITICAL AND SOCIAL LETTER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, MARCH 8.

THE GREAT "SCENE" IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

THE excitement caused by an illustrious Irishman, in the person of Viscount Wolseley, by his important speech in the House of Lords on Monday on the disestablishment of the Commander-in-Chief, great as it was, has been quite thrown into the shade by the events that were brought about in the House of Commons by a band of less distinguished Irishmen early on Wednesday morning. It is a long time since any debate in Parliament has caused such thrilling interest as that which took place on Monday and Tuesday in the Gilded Chamber. Nothing else for the time being was talked about. What, everybody asked, will Lord Wolseley do in view of the Marquis of Lansdowne's "lamentable and unseemly" attack upon the ex-Commander-in-Chief as Lord Rosebery called it? All anxiety and curiosity on the point seem to have vanished since the extraordinary action of the Irish party, or rather a section of that party, in defying first the Chairman of Committees and then the Speaker. In fact, the discussion in the Lords with its painful revelations of the want of wisdom with which we are governed, seems for the moment to be entirely forgotten. About the revolt in the Commons leading to the previous unheard of proceeding of a large number of policemen being called within the almost sacred chamber to bodily remove the offending members, the papers are full and there is no other topic of conversation. Like the House of Commons storms generally, the thing came upon everyone by surprise. It has been freely stated that the affair was planned beforehand with the object of pleasing the American friends of the Irish party, and to induce the former to replenish the coffers of the Nationalist organisation. But Mr. John Redmond gave this statement a flat contradiction last night, and there is no reason to doubt his word. The fact, that both he and Mr. Dillon had gone home when the row began, shows how little it was expected that the dreary debate on education which had occupied the entire evening would have such a stormy ending. I should explain that this discussion took place in Committee of Supply on the vote for £17,304,000 on account of Civil Services and Revenue Departments. An amendment, proposed by the ex-School master Mr. Yoxall, who defeated Sir Lepel Griffin at the general elections, having been disposed of and the closure agreed to, it was necessary to clear the House for a third division on the main question. Why it should be necessary to "clear the House" on such an occasion is not very plain to an outsider, but such is the law of Westminster, and it must be obeyed. For refusing to obey, twelve members were "named" and eventually removed from the House by a posse of policemen. In the excitement, one member, Mr. Jordan, was the victim of a mistake which has since been remedied and for which the Chairman (Mr. J. W. Lowther) has made a frank apology. The general opinion at any rate in England is that Government were bound to pass a drastic rule to prevent the repetition of such a discreditable outrage on Parliamentary propriety, but every Liberal and a few Conservatives think that Mr. Balafour is largely to blame; first, for not calling Parliament together earlier, and secondly for his misarrangement of the business of the House. Unfailing courtesy and personal charm are very good qualities in a leader of the House, but they do not make up for the want of business capacity and close attention to humdrum duties. Except for its length, there was nothing very remarkable about the protracted debate on Mr. Balfour's new Act. Mr. Redmond, however, made a noticeable and better speech. "From a purely Irish point of view," he observed "I desire to say that Irish members regard this rule with indifference and contempt. With indifference because no penalties which you can devise will have the effect of deterring us from what we believe to be our duty, and with contempt because penalties inflicted in this way we do not regard as a reproach, but as an honour. If the House goes on upon the lines on which it has embarked in this matter, the only logical result is the disfranchisement of Ireland. I am not sure that that would not be far better. I am sure it would be a far honester system than the present. So long as you deprive Ireland of the substance of constitutional Government and preserve the empty form of bringing us to this Parliament, where we are always in a permanent minority as compared with the representatives of another country and another nation, you have in your midst a foreign element. There is something deeper in this matter than mere ebullition of temper on one side or new rules on the other—something that goes right down to the bed-rock of the Irish question. The Irish members brought to the House are a foreign element in the House, and just like a foreign substance in the human body—Here Colonel Saunderson interrupted by saying, "I beg the hon. member's pardon, I am not a foreigner," Mr. Redmond proceeded:—

"I hope I am more experienced and sensible than to take any notice of the interruption. I say that, just as in the human body the presence of a foreign substance is a constant source of irritation and danger, so the presence of a foreign element in this Parliament is the same, because that foreign element is made up of a body of men who are with you but not of you, a body of men to whom the ancient glories and great traditions of this House have no meaning, a body of men who regard this House and this Parliament simply as an instrument for the oppression of their country. In dealing with such men, with such an element, I assert that no rules that the wit of man can devise can possibly save your Parliament from being injured and degraded in the eyes of the world. That is the penalty that this country is paying to-day for the Union, and which it will continue to pay for it as long as it lasts. I say, therefore, that we treat the whole of these new rules with indifference and contempt. Every such rule as you are proposing is weakening and degrading to your own Parliament, and the passing of every such rule as this means the turning, if I may so say, of a searchlight upon the system of government in Ireland which will expose it to the knowledge and criticism of the nations of the world, and I expose to the world the fact that, with all your constitutional forms, you are holding one portion of the so-called United Kingdom simply by brute force. Under these circumstances, speaking for myself, and I believe for very many Irish members, I would say, Go on with your new rules, suspend, expel, and imprison members, we shall not be in the smallest degree deterred, so long as we are forced to come here, from endeavouring, in the midst of a foreign majority, to transact our Irish business. We will use every form of this House, every right, every privilege, every power which membership of the House gives us, just as it seems to us to be best for Ireland, regardless of the opinion and the so-called dignity of British members, absolutely careless of the penalties you may devise for our punishment. My own strong feeling is that if you persist in your effort to hold Ireland according to your present system of Government, by force, you will degrade and paralyse and, in the end, destroy this famous Assembly. And if you do so it will be a just retribution on you for the baseness and the cruelty with which you destroyed the free Parliament of the Irish people."

THE PROGRESSIVE VICTORY.

The triennial election of the County Council took place on Saturday with results that have surprised a great many people. The overwhelming defeat of the Liberals at the General Parliamentary election in the autumn and more recently in the elections for the new borough councils seems to have satisfied the leaders or the Moderate party that, if the contest were fought on purely party grounds, the Progressives must be pulverised. Accordingly it was decided to drop the term Moderates and to take the name of Conservatives. The Progressives, fortunately for themselves, did not respond by styling themselves Liberals or Radicals, but adhered to their old designation. Their opponents seem to have forgotten that there are many people who, while Conservative in regard to Imperial politics, are Progressive in Municipal matters and that many more who discard political labels are strongly opposed to making County Council elections party matter. I cannot help thinking that the action of the Moderates in trying to snatch a khaki victory has had a great deal to do with their being smitten hip and thigh all over the Metropolis. In the last County Council, the Progressive majority was sufficiently large, now it is too big. In the East end—Stepney and St. George's—the Conservatives won two seats, but against this small success must be set 16 losses—14 to the Progressives and two to Independents who are practically Progressives. In each of the following districts the Progressives gained one seat:—Dulwich, North Hackney, Hampstead, Lewisham, North Paddington, and South St. Pancras. In Brixton, Central Finsbury, Fulham, Kensington and Norwood they captured both seats. As a rule in all quarters the Progressive vote was higher than at the last election and the Conservative lower. Mr. John Burns and his Progressive colleague had a majority of over 4,000. Mr. Harris, the Conservative leader in the Council was rejected by North Paddington. Among the defeated candidates was Mr. J. D. Rees, C. I. E., who stood as a Conservative in the Peckham division of Camberwell. Another retired Anglo-Indian Official Sir H. W. Bliss (of Madras) was elected a Conservative for the Holborn Division, of Finsbury. If the Conservatives really wish to win they must, between this and the next election, go in for a definite constructive policy and drop the water companies whose methods are so unpopular with high and low.

COOPERS HILL COLLEGE.

Just as the mail was leaving last week, a Blue Book was issued containing the correspondence relating to the Coopers Hill College. It consists of twenty-four documents, several of which have long enclosures. It appears that a Departmental Committee was appointed to enquire into the constitution and financial condition of the College so long ago as February 1894. The report of this Committee was presented in June 1895. After putting forward various proposals whereby economy might be ensured, they say:—

"We consider it very probable that efficient teaching of the nature required for the due professional equipment of the students educated at the College could be secured at a smaller cost than that of the present staff, and it is not unlikely that that economy might result from a reduction in the number of lectures, combined with increased attention to the direction of the students' private studies." At present the number of the teaching staff seems largely out of proportion to the number of students, there being approximately one of the former to four of the latter. This is partly due to the reduced number of students, but in a greater measure to the special provision which has been made for the training of the Forest students. The proportion of teachers to students existing at Coopers Hill should not be necessary in an institution of the kind. Even if the College were full, say one hundred and forty students, the teaching staff would be as one to five and a half for the whole College, but one to three for the Forest students.

"To sum up, we cannot suggest any measures which will result in restoring equilibrium to the College finances in the immediate future. After a course of years an approach to equilibrium between current receipts and expenditure may be attained. But no return on the heavy capital expenditure on land and buildings is to be expected. With the exception of a few minor alterations, practically nothing seems to have been done until the appointment of Colonel Outley as President. He lost no time in letting it be seen that he had entered upon his duties with a big new broom. He very soon had recommendations to make to the Secretary of State, and it is from the carrying out of one of those recommendations, namely, the dismissal of the professors, which has caused the present sensation. Details of the work of the students follow, also the decision of the Secretary of State on the whole question, arrangements are described for carrying out his decisions, the gratuities to the retiring professors are mentioned, and the memorial from the seven gentlemen, asking for an Enquiry by an independent committee of experts, likewise appears. It is quite certain that the issuing of the Blue Book will not end the dispute. Rather, it provides fuel for the fire. Correspondence continues in the papers, sympathetic, on the whole, with the dismissed professors. Mr. Morice Leslie, M. Institute, C.E., in a letter to the "Times," after remarking on the hopelessness of getting satisfactory information even by questions in the House of Commons, concluded thus:—"What did Sir Seymour King elicit last May? That the petitions of the Coopers Hill engineers, after ten years, were still the subject of correspondence? This has been the fate of the Coopers Hill engineers. This their reward for a quarter of a century of acknowledged services. Reluctant to agitate, wishing to avoid any semblance of insubordination, they have patiently awaited enquiry during this period. Unrepresented at the India Office, on the Secretary of State's Council, they are the Uitlanders of the Indian Services. Is it not in the interests of the public faith, as well as of Coopers Hill, that some independent enquiry should be granted?"

There is one member of Parliament who, on the whole, does not fail to get some satisfaction from the Secretary of State. Mr. O'Mara, M.P. fares somewhat better than his predecessors. If he did not get very clear answers from Lord George Hamilton last week to his questions about the action of Sir Douglas Fox as a member of the Board of Visitors, he certainly did score yesterday with the questions he put. I quote textually questions and answers:—

Mr. O'Mara asked the Secretary of State for India whether he would explain why Sir Charles Barnard's recommendation not to reappoint a separate salaried President to Coopers Hill College was not adopted; and whether he could inform the House if this recommendation had been adopted, what annual saving would have resulted therefrom since 1895? Lord George Hamilton replied that the recommendation made by Sir Charles Bernard was not ignored. On the next vacancy in 1896 Col. Pennycuick was appointed to the Presidency on the understanding that he should in addition discharge the duties of Professor of Engineering. But, that after two years' experience, he strongly urged that he ought to be relieved of his professorial duties, and, to this the Secretary of State in Council, on the advice of the Board of Visitors, finally agreed. The saving which resulted from the combination of the two offices was about £600 a year. The salary of the President is £1,000 a year. Mr. O'Mara asked the Secretary of State for India whether the Board of Visitors recommended the dismissal of Mr. Hurst, accounts instructor; and, if not, who did so; and whether his successor had yet been appointed:

And, if he could state how many new teachers had been appointed to Coopers Hill, College, and how many more it is proposed to appoint under the Report of the Board of Visitors, dated 24th July 1900; and what will be the total annual cost of the salaries of all these new appointments; and what was the total sum of the salaries of the teachers who have been dismissed; and what reduction in the yearly cost of the teaching staff will result therefrom? Lord George Hamilton replied: The Board of Visitors recommended that the proposal of the President for a change in the system of tuition in accounts should be adopted; and this involved the retirement of Mr. Hurst and the appointment of a lecturer who should be conversant with the system of the Indian Public Works Department. But as there is no course of lectures on accounts in the summer term, no fresh appointment has yet been made.

The number of new teachers to be appointed is four, and their salaries will amount to 1,3071. per annum. The salaries of the retiring professors and lecturers amount to 3,087, showing a saving of 1,7201. Against this must be set the proposed increases in the salaries of the remaining teachers, amounting to 300. The net saving in salaries is therefore 1,4201. per annum.

(To be Concluded.)

THE SERVICES AT HOME.

INDIA OFFICE—MARCH 8.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN LONDON.

Mr L G Evans B Cov
Mr W B Brown B Cov
Mr A G Mayne B
Mr W Rogers B
Mr E Dunpio B
Mr E H Wallace M Cov
Mr C E Smith M
Mr F S Mullaby M
Mr H George Bo
Capt K B C Boddam
Capt A E Barnard
Lieut D H Gibbone
Lieut J A Elliot
Lieut W H Pennington
Lieut J Grattan
Lieut W H Grimley
Lieut H J P Twigg
Lieut H A Holdich
Lieut M R Anderson
Lieut J G Greig
Lieut A Hood
Assistant Engineer F Pool

EXTENSIONS OF LEAVE.

Major H A Browning B 10 days' furl
Mr H F Maguire B Cov 4 mo M C
Mr F S Barker B 3 mo extraordinary leave
Mr R A Simpson B 6 mo M C
Mr S F L Cappel B privilege leave commuted to furl an M C for 8 1-2 mo subject to confirmation
Mr E G Chester B 8 mo furl
Mr P A Sandilands B 6 mo furl
Lieut-Col A Wapshare Bo 2 mo M C
Col A R Martin 6 mo
Major F C Byrnd 1 mo
Capt E K Waters 3 mo
Capt F A King ton 6 mo
Lieut A J P Coke 4 mo
Lieut J Prentie 4 mo
Lieut H Lewis 3 mo
Lieut the T Raban 6 mo
Engineer A Mackey 6 mo

PERMITTED TO RETURN.

Major H A Browning B
Mr L V Lawlie B
Mr J J Inglis B
Mr C G H Fawcett Bo Cov
Mr R Oliver Bo
Lieut-Col J Turner-Jones
Capt T H Hennesson
Capt D S Smist
Lieut C B Wilkinson
Lieut L H B Haworth
Lieut A G Cowan
Lieut C E D Davidson House ton
Lieut S Bazett
Chief Engineer J Andrews

OUTRAGE ON THE KAISER.

SERIOUS WOUND.

THE German Emperor was the subject of an outrage on Wednesday (March 6) at Bremen. While His Majesty was driving from the Rathskeller to the railway station, a man named Dietrich Welland, said to be a workman, threw a piece of iron at the Imperial carriage.

Bremen, March 7.—From particulars published this morning regarding the attack made upon the German Emperor here yesterday by a workman named Welland, it appears that the piece of iron thrown at the Imperial carriage hit His Majesty on the cheek just under the right eye.

The Emperor, however, did not seem to be seriously injured, as, during the whole of the drive to the station, he did not say a word on the subject to the burgomaster who was sitting by his side. It was only at the station that a member of the suite pointed out to His Majesty that his check was bleeding. The assailant, in endeavouring to escape after throwing the missile, fell under the horses of the attendants, who were riding behind the Imperial carriage. He was immediately seized by the people and handed over to the police, who conveyed him to the Town Hall. During his examination there he had several epileptic fits, but in the intervals between the attacks, was able to reply to the questions put to him. He gave no information as to the motive of the outrage. Some medicaments found upon him tend to show that he was a chronic sufferer from epilepsy.

Bremen, March 7.—The examination of Welland has so far brought nothing fresh to light. The man pretends to know nothing of what occurred yesterday, and keeps on saying that he is a sufferer from epilepsy. The impression which he gives is that of a person of weak intellect.—Reuter.

Berlin, March 7.—The piece of iron which the man Welland threw at the Kaiser at Bremen last night is apparently a piece of a door plate. The missile struck his Majesty under the right eye. The Kaiser, however, was unaware at the time that anything had been thrown at him. It was only when he reached the station that he felt blood upon his cheek. At first he thought he had been struck by a bunch of flowers thrown at his carriage.—Central News.

Berlin, March 7.—The following bulletin regarding the Emperor's wound is issued this morning:—The wound is on the right cheek, is about one and a half inches long, passes four of the zygoma and penetrates to the bone. It has the character of a contused wound. There has been much bleeding, but the wound has been closed by bandaging without any sewing up. The Emperor passed a fairly good night free from headaches, and his general condition is good. (Signed) Leuthold, Bergmann, Ilberg." The Emperor has been obliged to forego his visit to Koenigsberg.—Reuter.

STATEMENT IN THE REICHSTAG.

Berlin, March 7.—In the Reichstag to-day Count Von Ballestrem, the President communicated to the House the news of the outrage on the Emperor, and expressed on behalf of the House his horror at the abominable act. He thanked God for having preserved the Emperor and the country from this misfortune, and prayed that their beloved monarch might soon be restored to health and that God might keep his Majesty under his protection.

The members of the House stood while the President was speaking. The Social Democrats were not present.

The President then observed that by rising in their seats the members of the House had signified their approval of his remarks. The House then proceeded to discuss the business on the paper.—Reuter.

PRUSSIAN DIET AND THE ATTACK.

Berlin, March 7.—In the House of Deputies of the Prussian Diet this afternoon Herr Kroecher, the President, said that Count von Bulow had sent him a message regarding the Kaiser's wound. His Majesty would be obliged to keep his bed for some days.

Herr Kroecher expressed his indignation at the dreadful deed, and called for a cheer for the Kaiser, which was heartily given.

In consequence of the excitement in the House, the sitting was adjourned for half an hour.—Central News.

INDIAN TROOPS FOR UGANDA.

On Monday next the 1st Battalion Uganda Rifles, which has been raised in India for service in Uganda, will leave Bombay by the British India steamer Canara which is chartered for the conveyance of the regiment to Killindini. The regiment consists of five officers and 400 men of fine physique, selected from Punjab and Bombay regiments. About 200 are Sikhs and 200 are Punjabi Mahomedans. They are under agreement for three years and will relieve the other battalion that is at Uganda. The arrangements for their embarkation have been made by Mr. J. A. Simpson, General Agent in India for the East Africa, Uganda and British Central Africa Protectorates. Special arrangements have also been made by the British India Company for the accommodation of the troops on board the Canara. The men will be brought to Bombay

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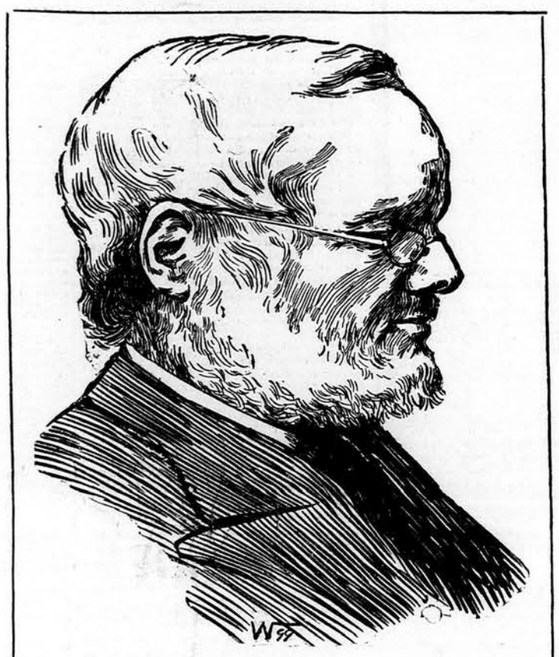

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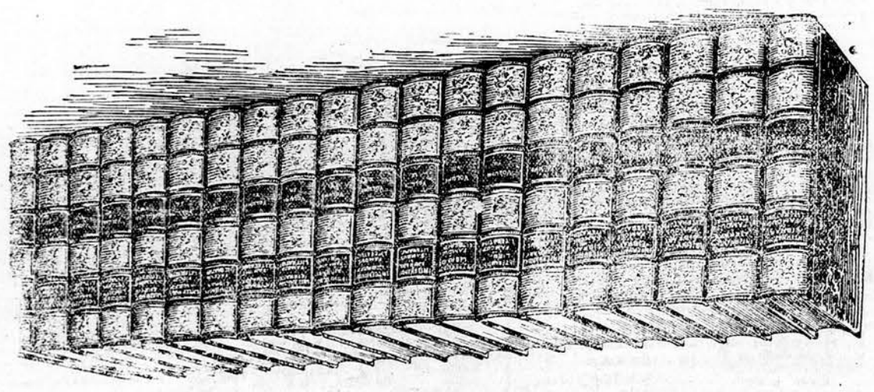

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THE opposition which is threatened to the public payment of the expenses of the Royal visit to Australia recalls the opposition to the expenses of the present King's visit to India many years ago. The visit involved the spending of £142,000, and the whole of the money was provided out of the public purse. It was protested that the sum was too large—as, indeed, it proved—and the opposition concentrated itself on two points—that the expenses should not be publicly paid at all, and that in any case the proposal to call upon India to pay a part of them ought to be abandoned for the sake of justice and dignity. The opposition failed, however, in both respects, and events have proved that the visit was abundantly justified, however mean it may have been to make India pay part of its cost.

The fact is that a Royal visit is an excellent investment from the Imperial point of view. When the Prince of Wales, as King Edward then was, travelled through all the provinces of the Indian Empire and visited more ruling princes than all the Viceroys before that time had ever seen. His visit did more to bring home the power of England to the princes and people of India than any law could ever do, and the Prince came home with presents valued at half a million sterling. One of the native princes, presenting him with a sword, said "If it be the Prince's will to try it, here is my neck." Chiefs, who had never bowed the knee to any man, fell before Albert Edward, and the thousand pounds a day which the visit to India cost, proved to be one of the wisest investments an English Government could have made.

Sunday was an interesting anniversary in politics. It was on March 3, seven years ago, that Lord Rosebery became Prime Minister. He is the only ex-Premier living, and the youngest of all the Prime Ministers of the Victorian Era. No other man, for at least sixty years, has been Premier at forty-six. Lord Rosebery, too, was one of the youngest Foreign Secretaries England has ever had; he was at the Foreign Office at thirty-eight. He seconded the Address in reply to the Queen's Speech in Mr. Gladstone's first Parliament when he was twenty-three, and everybody was surprised when the second Gladstone Cabinet was made up without him. There is good reason to believe, however, that Lord Rosebery's omission from the Cabinet of 1880 was due to his own reluctance to assume such high office at thirty-three, though he became Under-Secretary for the Home Department in the following year.

It was appropriate that Lord Rosebery should follow Mr. Gladstone. It was Mr. Gladstone who "discovered" him. Speaking at Manchester of the youngest member of his Cabinet in 1886, Mr. Gladstone gave his colleague a glowing testimonial, and advised the nation, in his own splendid language, to keep his eye on the Man of the Future. That was the phrase in which the Grand Old Man introduced the Coming Young Man to the nation fifteen years ago.

As Prime Minister, Lord Rosebery risked the most disastrous conflict that could happen in politics—a war with France. He has never been lacking in courage. He has faced an angry Cabinet, and bent it to his will. He was the youngest man in the Cabinet, but age has never mattered when brains and youth have run together, and Lord Rosebery showed by his attitude on Uganda that he was not to be pooh-poohed because of his youth. Mr. Gladstone was opposed to such a vast extension of the Empire as the retention of Uganda involved, and he was supported by every member of the Cabinet except the man whose duty it was to finally decide. Lord Rosebery stood firm. He was absolutely opposed to the evacuation of Uganda. Not all the weight of Mr. Gladstone's pleading could move him. If Uganda went, so did he, and England would want a Foreign Minister. Uganda did not go, and Lord Rosebery remained to wear the mantle of his great chief.

If the political talk of the clubs goes for anything Lord Rosebery has risked not only one great war, but two. We shall probably never know, but those who have some knowledge, or are supposed to have some knowledge, of what happens behind the footlights when the curtains are drawn in Downing-street, believe that the Rosebery Government had just decided to send an ultimatum to the Sultan when the cordite incident upset the Ministry. It is easy to see how, if this were true, the whole face of political England was changed by the modest motion which Sir Brodrick brought forward one night in 1895.

It was one of Parliament's dramatic days. The Government had achieved a great triumph an hour or two before, when Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman announced that the Duke of Cambridge had resigned, and the Rosebery Ministry, which was not the strongest of modern times, had never seemed so safe. Mr. Balfour had been informed privately of the Duke's resignation, and Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman had asked him if he should tell Brodrick, who had been Financial Secretary for War. Mr. Balfour thought it was not necessary to "tell Brodrick," and the impression prevailing in the Liberal ranks was that nothing was likely to happen. That as a matter of fact, was what Sir C. B. told the Liberal Whip, on the strength of his communication with Mr. Balfour, and the Liberal members were allowed to go away. Then, when the cat was away, the mice began to play. Mr. Brodrick brought on his famous motion, about which nobody seemed to care very much one way or another. But it blew up a nice ornament. The Opposition had been carefully whipped and that night, in the dark, a messenger arrived hastily at the Durdans with a letter which told Lord Rosebery that his Government had fallen.

That was the end of the Rosebery Government. Those who were interested and remember its beginning know that it came as suddenly as it went. Mr. Gladstone made a tremendous onslaught on the House of Lords. Nobody knew at the time—nobody, that is, outside the inner circle of the party—that it was the last speech of his that would ever ring through the chamber he had adorned for sixty years. Nobody knew, either, that Mr. Gladstone was speaking much against his will. He had begged and prayed, we are told, to be let off making an attack on the peers. Was it right that he should begin a fight he could not carry through, or that he should commit the Liberal party to such a strong programme? But the Commons leaders would not listen to his protest, and the speech was made. That was on the first of March; on the third, Lord Rosebery, and not Mr. Gladstone, was Prime Minister of England.

Lord Rosebery is greatly interested in the result of the County Council elections. Nobody knows better than he the needs of the capital of the Empire. He has described London as eloquently as any man can. Referring to a description of the Metropolis as a beautiful woman, Lord Rosebery said; "Let the beauty pass. But she is a woman, with her arms in one place, her legs in another, her head in another, and her heart in another. What is this great body of disjointed but populous parishes; what is this great desert, inhabited by neglected humanity? Is it a town, populous indeed but remote from the seat of Empire? No; it is the seat of Empire itself."

The County Council which was elected on Saturday is the fifth which has sat at Spring Gardens. The first was elected in the January of 1889, and out of 118 seats the Progressives secured 73. Two ladies where elected—Lady Sandhurst for Brixton, and Miss Jane Cobden for Bow. At the second election, in March, 1892, the Progressives won 83 seats against the Moderates' 35. At the third election there was a tie, each party securing 59 members, and in 1898 the Progressive majority was 22.

There are, of course, no ladies in the new Council; there have been none since the first Council over which Lord Rosebery presided. Lady Sandhurst and Miss Cobden sat for a time, and did useful work, but the question of the legality of their membership was raised, the Act not being quite clear on the matter. Two members—Mr. Walter de Souza and Mr. Beresford Hope—put the law in motion, and the lady members disappeared from Spring Gardens, never to return. Brixton, which had elected Lady Sandhurst showed its gratitude to Mr. Beresford Hope, very ungallantly, by electing him without opposition to fill the place he had caused her ladyship to vacate.

The County Council has in its employ a staff of between seven and eight thousand workers, over six thousand of whom are in regular service at a yearly or weekly salary. A hundred clerks manage the business side of the work of the office, and there are over a hundred architects, sixty-four surveyors, seventy officials who attend to valuation, over fifty solicitors, and ten coroners. The engineer's department has a staff of over eleven hundred, and there are about the same number in the Fire Brigade. Nearly eight hundred men look after parks and open spaces, and the asylums necessitate the services of more than two thousand people. There are besides a little army of men always engaged on the Council's various works and these average about twelve hundred a year.

Until last year, when the new local government machinery was set working, London was ruled by some four hundred public bodies of one kind or another, to which six thousand members were elected. The new London Government Bill, however, has reduced the governing bodies by about sixty. The vestries, with their four thousand members, were replaced by twenty-eight borough councils, with 1,589 members, and they took with them into obscurity twelve boards of works, and 619 members. The Metropolis is now managed by just over three hundred authorities, and rather fewer than three thousand public servants.

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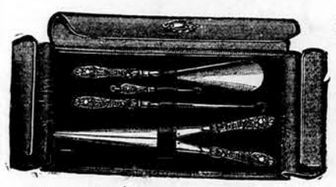
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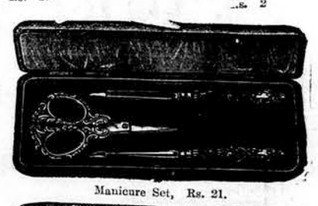
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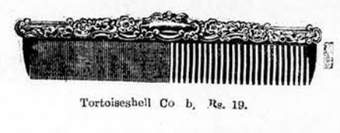
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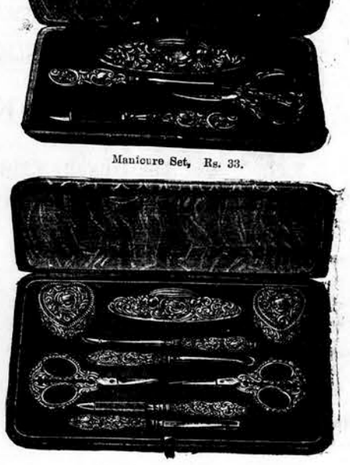
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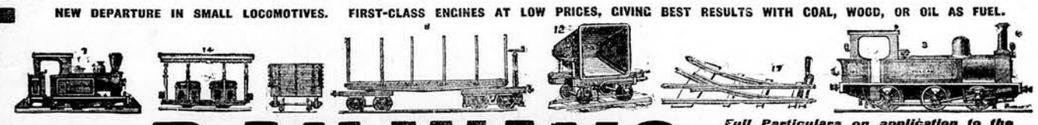

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